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OF THE

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Chicago, December 4-9, 1912



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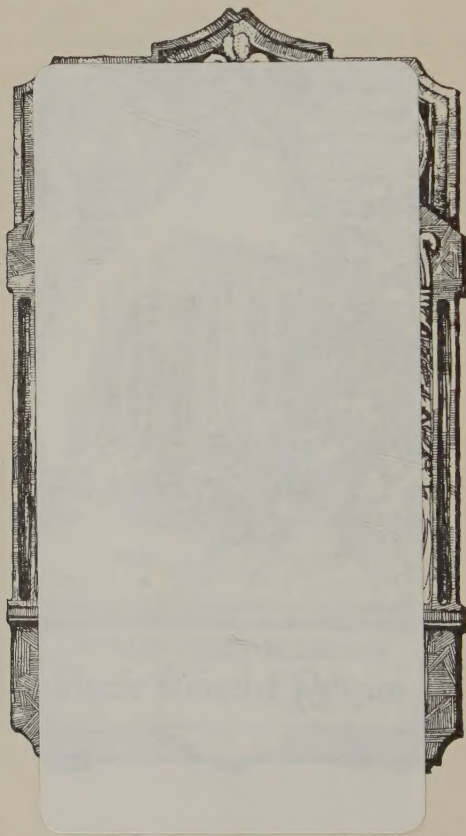
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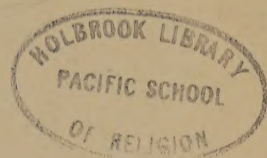
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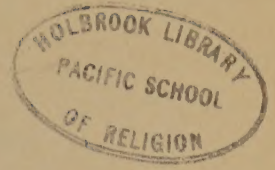
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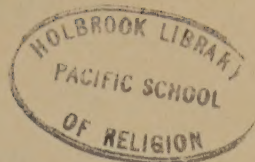


Introduction.

This volume is confined entirely to *business* transacted by the Quadrennial Council of 1912.

The Reports of the Commissions and Committees and the Public Addresses in connection with the Council, are published in another volume which should be consulted and to which reference will necessarily be made in connection with this record of the business transacted.

Another pamphlet will be issued relative to the Commissions for the coming Quadrennium as soon as they have been appointed and have organized.



The Program

OF THE SECOND QUADRENNIAL COUNCIL

THE

FEDERAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST
IN AMERICA

ANNUAL REPORT Chicago, December 4-9, 1912

The headquarters, as adopted by the Council, at the La Salle Hotel.
The day sessions of the Council held in the Assembly Hall of the hotel.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER FOURTH

Fullerton Hall

7.45 P. M.

The Opening Session of Welcome held in Fullerton Hall, of the Art Institute.

Devotional Service.

Reading of the Scriptures.

Hon. McKenzie Cleland, Chicago, Delegate from the United Presbyterian Church.

Prayer.

Bishop S. P. Spreng, D.D., the Evangelical Association, Cleveland.

Preliminary Report of the Executive Committee.

The Address by the President of the Council.

The Rev. Bishop E. R. Hendrix, D.D., LL.D., followed by a reception to the delegates under the direction of the Committee of Arrangements representing the Churches of Chicago.

THURSDAY MORNING, DECEMBER FIFTH

Assembly Hall, La Salle Hotel

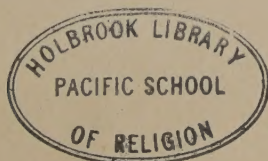
Bishop E. R. Hendrix, D.D., LL.D., Presiding.

9 30 Devotional Service.

Hymn.

Reading of the Scriptures,

The Rev. W. W. Staley, D.D., Pastor of Christian Church, Suffolk, Va.



Prayer.

The Rev. John G. Kircher, Pastor Bethlehem Church (Evangelical Synod of North America), Chicago, Ill.

10 00 Calling of the Roll.

The Rev. Rivington D. Lord, D.D., Pastor First Free Baptist Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., Recording Secretary.

10 30 Report of the Local Committee of Arrangements.

The Rev. John Balcom Shaw, D.D., LL.D., Pastor Second Presbyterian Church, Chicago, Ill., Chairman.

10 45 Report of the Executive Committee.

The Rev. William H. Roberts, D.D., LL.D., Chairman.

11 10 Report of the Corresponding Secretary.

The Rev. E. B. Sanford, D.D., New York.

Report of the Treasurer.

Alfred R. Kimball, New York.

12 00 Reports of Other Committees.**12 30 Adjournment.****THURSDAY AFTERNOON****Assembly Hall, La Salle Hotel**

Vice-President, Rev. J. H. Garrison, D.D., of the Disciples of Christ, St. Louis, Presiding.

Installation of President-Elect.

"Church Unity at Home and Abroad."**2 30 Devotional Service.****Prayer.**

The Rev. George Alexander, D.D., Pastor of the University Place Presbyterian Church, New York.

2 40 Election of Officers.**3 00 Induction of President.**

Address by Retiring President.

Address by President-Elect.

Prayer.

Bishop Charles E. Cheney, D.D., Reformed Episcopal Church, Chicago.

**3 30 "Co-operation of Christian Forces on the Foreign Field."
Report of Committee on Foreign Missions.**

The Rev. James L. Barton, D.D., Secretary of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, Boston, Mass., Chairman.

3 45 Discussion.

THE PROGRAM.

THURSDAY EVENING

Orchestra Hall

7.45 P. M.

"Forward Movements of the Churches."

The Rev. William M. Bell, D.D., Bishop of the United Brethren Church,
Los Angeles, Cal., Presiding.

Musical Service.

Devotional Service.

Hymn.

Reading of the Scriptures.

Rev. H. H. Sweets, D.D., the Presbyterian Church in the
U. S. (South), Louisville.

Prayer.

Bishop W. H. Fouke, D.D., the United Evangelical Church,
Harrisburg.

Addresses—

The Rev. Francis J. McConnell, D.D., Bishop of the Methodist
Episcopal Church, Denver, Colo.

James A. MacDonald, LL.D., Editor "The Globe," Toronto,
Canada.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER SIXTH

Assembly Hall, La Salle Hotel

The Rev. Samuel J. Niccolls, D.D., Former Moderator of the General
Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., and Pastor
of the Second Presbyterian Church in St. Louis, Presiding.

"State and Local Co-operative Work."

9 30 **Devotional Service.**

Reading of the Scriptures.

The Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, D.D., Secretary, Federations of
Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

Prayer.

The Rev. Robert A. Ashworth, D.D., Pastor Grand Avenue
Baptist Church, Milwaukee, Wis.

10 10 **"The Work of State Federations."**

Discussion opened by President Edward D. Eaton, D.D., of
Beloit College, President of the Wisconsin Federation of
Churches.

10 40 **"Church Federations, City and Rural."**

The Rev. Clair E. Ames, Secretary of the Church Federation
of St. Louis.

The Rev. Andrew B. Wood, Secretary of the Church Federa-
tion of Baltimore.



The Rev. Walter Laidlaw, Ph.D., Secretary of the Church Federation of New York City.

11 45 **Business.**

12 30 **Adjournment.**

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Assembly Hall, La Salle Hotel

The Rev. H. C. Herring, D.D., General Secretary of the Congregational Home Missionary Society of the United States, New York, Presiding.

"Church Unity in the Development of the Field."

2 30 **Devotional Service.**

Prayer.

The Rev. Samuel K. Mosiman, Ph.D., President Central Menonite College, Bluffton, Ohio.

2 40 **Business.**

2 50 **Report of Committee on Home Missions.**

The Rev. L. Call Barnes, D.D., Field Secretary of the American Baptist Home Missionary Society, New York, Chairman.

3 10 **Discussion.**

3 30 **"Work Among Special Populations."**

The Rev. Alexander Walters, D.D., Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, New York.

4 00 **Business.**

5 00 **Adjournment.**

FRIDAY EVENING

Auditorium

7.45 P. M.

Robert H. Gardiner, Former President of the "Brotherhood of St. Andrew" of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Gardiner, Me., Presiding.

"Young People's Organizations and Christian Unity."

Musical Service.

Devotional Service.

Hymn.

Reading of the Scriptures.

Prayer.

Addresses—

The Rev. Wilbur F. Sheridan, D.D., General Secretary of the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Chicago.

The Rev. W. C. Bitting, D.D., Pastor of the Second Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo.

Hon. Thomas R. Marshall, Vice-President-Elect of the United States, Indianapolis, Ind., delegate from the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER SEVENTH

Assembly Hall, La Salle Hotel

The Rev. T. S. Clyce, D.D., Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States (South), Sherman, Texas, Presiding.

"The Home and Its Enemies."

9 30 Devotional Service.

Hymn.

Reading of the Scriptures.

The Rev. Charles E. Bacon, D.D., Methodist Episcopal Church, Vincennes, Ind.

Prayer.

President David McKinney, D.D., Reformed Presbyterian Church, Cincinnati.

9 50 Business.

10 10 Report of Committee on Family Life.

Resolutions presented and discussion opened by The Rev. George P. Eckman, D.D., Editor of "The Christian Advocate," New York.

10 20 Discussion.

10 35 Report of Committee on Sunday Observance.

Resolutions presented and discussion opened by The Rev. Peter Ainslie, D.D., President of the Commission on Christian Union of the Disciples of Christ, Baltimore, Md., Chairman.

10 45 Discussion.

11 00 Report of Committee on Temperance.

Resolutions presented and discussion opened by The Rev. Rufus W. Miller, D.D., Secretary of S. S. Publication Society, Reformed Church in the U. S., Philadelphia, Chairman.

11 10 Discussion.

12 00 Reports of Committees.

12 30 Adjournment.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Assembly Hall, La Salle Hotel

The Rev. Ame Vennema, D.D., President of Hope College, Holland, Mich., and former Moderator of the Reformed Church in America, Presiding.

"The Common Work of Education."**2 30 Devotional Service.**

Reading of the Scriptures.

Charles E. Tebbetts, Secretary of the Board of Missions of the Friends, Richmond, Ind.

Prayer.

President Boothe C. Davis, D.D., the Seventh Day Baptist Church, Alfred, N. Y.

2 40 Business.**2 50 Report of Committee on Literature and Education.**

The Rev. George B. Stewart, D.D., LL.D., President of Auburn Theological Seminary, Auburn, N. Y., Chairman.

3 15 Discussion.**3 45 Report of Special Committee on Week-Day Religious Instruction.**

The Rev. George U. Wenner, D.D., Pastor of Christ Lutheran Church, New York, Chairman.

4 00 Business.**5 00 Adjournment.****SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER EIGHTH**

Delegates to the Council preaching in the Churches of Chicago and vicinity.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON**Mass Meeting—Olympic Theatre**

3 P. M.

The Chairman of the Commission on the Church and Social Service, Presiding.

Addresses—

The Rev. Walter Rauschenbusch, D.D., Professor, Rochester Theological Seminary, Rochester, N. Y.

Professor Edward A. Steiner, Grinnell, Ia.

Hon. William Jennings Bryan, Lincoln, Neb.

(Arrangements made for an overflow meeting at the Y. M. C. A.)

MONDAY MORNING, DECEMBER NINTH**Assembly Hall, La Salle Hotel**

The Rt. Rev. Ethelbert Talbot, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, South Bethlehem, Pa., Presiding.

"The Kingdoms of This World, the Kingdom of Our Lord."**9 30 Devotional Service.**

Reading of the Scriptures.

Bishop C. T. Shaffer, D.D., African M. E. Church.

Prayer.

Rev. William H. Roberts, D.D., Chairman of the Committee on Evangelism.

9 50 **Commission on the Church and Social Service.**

Report presented and discussion opened by The Rev. Frank Mason North, D.D., Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the M. E. Church, New York, Chairman.

10 00 **Discussion.**

11 00 **Report of Commission on International Peace and Arbitration.**

Resolutions presented and discussion opened by The Rev. J. B. Remensnyder, D.D., LL.D., Pastor of St. James' Lutheran Church and Moderator of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, New York, Chairman.

11 10 **Discussion.**

12 00 **Business.**

MONDAY AFTERNOON

Assembly Hall, La Salle Hotel

The Rt. Rev. Morris W. Leibert, D.D., Bishop of the Moravian Church, New York, Presiding.

"The Supreme Mission of the Church."

2 30 **Devotional Service.**

Reading of the Scriptures.

Rev. F. T. Tagg, D.D., the Methodist Protestant Church, Baltimore.

Prayer.

Rev. Frank Mason North, D.D., Chairman of the Commission on the Church and Social Service.

2 45 **Report of Committee on Evangelism.**

The Rev. William H. Roberts, D.D., LL.D., Former Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., and Stated Clerk of the Assembly, Philadelphia, Chairman.

2 55 Discussion opened by the Hon. William Jennings Bryan, Lincoln, Neb., delegate from the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

3 45 **Unfinished Business.**

4 30 **A Season of Prayer.**

Led by the President and the Acting Executive Secretary.

5 00 **Adjournment.**

MONDAY EVENING

Banquet in honor of the Council given by the Committee of One Hundred and the Social Unions of Chicago.

NOTE: The changes and substitutions in the program are noted in the Minutes.

Minutes of the Second Quadrennial Council.

The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

Chicago, Illinois, December 4th-9th, 1912.

Wednesday Evening, December 4th—Fullerton Hall, Art Institute.

The Second Quadrennial Meeting of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America was opened in Fullerton Hall, Art Institute, Chicago, Ill., at 8 P. M. by the President, Bishop E. R. Hendrix.

The President announced as the Chairman of the evening session, Rev. William H. Roberts.

After a hymn by the Capella Choir, the Scriptures were read by Rt. Rev. Ethelbert Talbot. Prayer was offered by Bishop S. P. Spreng.

An address of welcome was given in behalf of the City of Chicago by Judge Jesse Holdom and an address in behalf of the churches and ministers of Chicago by Rt. Rev. Charles P. Anderson.

A response to the addresses of welcome was given by the President of the Council.

The Capella Choir rendered three Christmas carols.

Bishop Hendrix delivered the President's address, taking for his subject, "The Symphony of Prayer."

It was voted that an expression of sympathy and fellowship be communicated by the President to Rev. E. B. Sanford, Corresponding Secretary of the Council, who was detained from the meeting of the Council because of serious illness, with an earnest prayer that he may speedily recover.

Voted to adjourn to Thursday at 9:30 A. M.

The closing prayer was offered by Rev. Charles L. Thompson.

After adjournment the delegates attended a reception held in the hall of the Art Institute under the auspices of the Local Committee of Arrangements.

Thursday Morning, December 5th, 9:30 A. M.—Assembly Hall,
La Salle Hotel.

The meeting was called to order by the President.

The Scriptures were read by Rev. W. W. Staley, pastor of the Christian Church, Suffolk, Va. Prayer was offered by Dean W. F. Tillett, of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

The roll of delegates was called by the Recording Secretary, Rivington D. Lord, and a record was made of those present.*

The President introduced Hon. Thomas R. Marshall, Vice-President-Elect of the United States, who addressed the Council.

President Hendrix reported that the following telegram of greeting had been sent to the Corresponding Secretary, and that the following response had been received from him:

“REV. E. B. SANFORD, D.D.,
New York City.

“By unanimous action, in the opening session of the Federal Council of Churches, I am appointed to send the love and greeting of your many brethren, clerical and lay, to their beloved Secretary, with regrets for your absence, prayers for God’s blessing and thanks for your long and faithful services.”

(Signed) E. R. HENDRIX,
President.”

“BISHOP E. R. HENDRIX, D.D.,
Chicago, Ill.

“Your message a source of great comfort.”

(Signed) E. B. SANFORD.”

Rev. William H. Roberts announced that the Executive Committee had appointed as Acting Corresponding Secretary, Rev. Charles S. Macfarland.

Rev. Charles L. Thompson proposed the following message of the Council to Dr. Sanford, which was adopted by the Council:

“The Federal Council has learned with deep regret of the illness of the Rev. E. B. Sanford, D.D., the Corresponding Secretary of this Council, which prevents his attendance at this Quadrennial Meeting. It de-

*See Page 104ff.

sires to express its sincere sympathy with him in this trial, and its earnest hope for his speedy recovery, and for his comfort in fellowship and service for years to come. The Council takes this occasion to assure him of its grateful appreciation of his long, faithful, and efficient service in the great cause for which this Council stands.

"For a score of years he has been active in the promotion of its ideals. Long before the idea of a Federal Council had come into the consciousness or hopes of the Church of Christ, he was prominent among those who had the vision of a closer union of the churches, and more definite co-operation in advancing the interests of the Kingdom.

"With this vision he was a leading spirit in the several organizations which led up to this Council. These were, "The Open and Institutional Church League," "The National Federation of Churches," and "The Inter-Church Conference on Federation." These all were prophecies and potencies of the larger plans now being realized in this Council. We have come to this day of a great confederation more surely and swiftly, in large measure because of his ideals and his service.

"This Council is, therefore, honoring the cause which it represents in this expression of gratitude and love to one of the pioneers of Church Federation."

Rev. William I. Haven offered the following recommendation, which was unanimously adopted by the Council:

"The Executive Committee recommend to the Council, in view of Dr. Sanford's long and intimate relation to the movement of Church Federation, that he be made Honorary Secretary of the Federal Council, and that his duties and compensation be fixed by the Executive Committee."

The report of the Executive Committee was presented by the Chairman, Rev. William H. Roberts, and it was

Voted that paragraph 3, page 3a, be referred to the Business Committee; that paragraphs 1 and 2, page 4a, be referred to the Business Committee; that paragraphs 1, 2, and 3, page 5a, be approved; that paragraphs 8, 9, and 10, pages 6a and 7a, be referred to the Business Committee; that paragraph 11, page 7a, be referred to the Executive Committee; that the consideration of paragraph 15, page 8a, be given at a subsequent session of the Council; that paragraph 17, page 9a, be referred to the Executive Committee; that resolutions under paragraph 18, page 9a, marked, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 respectively, be adopted; that the Resolution on Correspondence, page 10a, be adopted; that the Resolution recommending

five Associate Secretaries, page 10a, be adopted; and that paragraphs 1, 2, and 3, pages 10a and 11a, be resubmitted to the Committee for the purpose of embodying such changes as have been suggested through the discussion of the same.*

The Reports of the Acting Executive Secretary, District Secretaries and Research Secretary were presented by Dr. Macfarland.

It was voted that the paragraph in the report of Dr. Macfarland, on the development of the National Office, and that other recommendations in this and the supplementary reports, be referred to the Executive Committee.

The Report of the Local Committee on Arrangements was presented by Rev. John Balcom Shaw, Chairman.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by the Treasurer, Alfred R. Kimball, and the same was accepted by the Council.

Voted, to adjourn, to meet at 2:30 P. M.

The closing prayer was offered by Rev. L. C. Barnes.

Thursday Afternoon, December 5th, 2:30 P. M.—Assembly Hall.

Rev. J. H. Garrison, Vice-President, presiding.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. Frank Smith.

Rev. William H. Roberts presented the following report of the Committee on Nominations:

"The Committee on Nominations respectfully nominates the following persons as officers of the Council: For President, Prof. Shailer Mathews; for Recording Secretary, Rev. Rivington D. Lord; for Treasurer, Alfred R. Kimball. In the matter of the Corresponding Secretary, the Executive Committee recommends, in view of the serious illness of Rev. E. B. Sanford, and the contingencies connected therewith, that action be postponed for the present."

Voted to receive the report and that the Council proceed to an election of officers.

The following persons were elected by the unanimous vote of the Council as officers of the Federal Council for four

*See Gray Book,

years: President, Prof. Shailer Mathews; Recording Secretary, Rev. Rivington D. Lord; Treasurer, Alfred R. Kimball.

The Recording Secretary announced that the following had been appointed as Associate Secretaries: Rev. Asher Anderson, Rev. Rufus W. Miller, Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, Rev. Claudius B. Spencer, Rev. J. W. Walker.

Bishop Hendrix, the retiring President, made an address, followed by an address by the President-elect, Prof. Shailer Mathews.

Prayer was offered by Rt. Rev. Samuel Fallows.

Owing to the absence of Rev. James L. Barton, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Missions, Rev. Charles E. Tebbets presented the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions, entitled, "Co-operation in Foreign Missions, 1908-1912."

Voted to receive the report.

After discussion it was voted that the recommendation contained in the report on page 25b be adopted.*

Voted to adopt the report as a whole.

Voted to adjourn until Friday, 9:30 A. M.

Prayer was offered by Bishop Hendrix.

Thursday Evening, 7:45 P. M.—Orchestra Hall.

The theme of the evening was: "Forward Movements of the Churches."

Rev. William M. Bell, Bishop of the United Brethren, Presiding.

The choir of the Auditorium rendered an anthem.

The Scriptures were read by Rev. W. H. Sweets, and prayer was offered by Bishop W. H. Fouke.

Addressés were given by Bishop Francis J. McConnell and James A. MacDonald.

The Benediction was pronounced by Rt. Rev. Morris W. Leibert, of the Moravian Church.

*See Gray Book.

Friday, December 6th, 9:30 A. M.—Assembly Hall.

President Shailer Mathews, presiding.

The Scripture was read by Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley. Prayer was offered by Rev. Robert A. Ashworth.

The Minutes of the meetings held on December 4th and 5th were read and approved.

The Report of the Program Committee was presented by Rev. A. G. Lawson, Chairman.

It was voted to adopt the program as printed.

The Rules of Order, as printed in the "Gray Book," were presented by the Chairman of the Executive Committee with the suggestion that they be adopted as the Rules of Order for the Council.

It was voted that the Rules of Order be amended by striking out Rule No. 29.

The printed Rules of Order, as amended, were then adopted as a whole.

The Chairman of the Executive Committee presented a report on State and Local Federations with the following resolutions which were adopted.

1. "*Resolved*, That the official appointment of delegates by their denominational bodies is essential to a State Inter-Church Federation, and that whatever other members may be admitted, this essential principle must be preserved.

2. "*Resolved*, That the principal function of a State Federation is deliberative and advisory, the Federation relying, when possible, upon denominational organizations or other existing agencies to execute; yet the Federation affords a means of doing together many things which the churches cannot do, nor so well do, separately.

3. "*Resolved*, That recognizing the value, to all church and denominational work, of State and Local Federations as expressions in concrete and practical form of the chief principles of the Federal Council, the Council hereby establishes a Commission to be known as 'The Commission on State and Local Federations,' to consist of fifteen members, to be appointed by the Executive Committee of the Council. The Commission shall advise with State and Local Federations, disseminate information respecting them, and arrange for future conferences of representatives of these federations, especially in connection with the sessions of the Federal Council, and all subject to the Executive Committee."

The following were appointed by the President as the Committee on Business:

Bishop Earl Cranston,	}	Methodist Episcopal.
Rev. C. M. Stuart,		
Dean W. F. Tillett, ...	}	Methodist Episcopal, South.
Rev. J. S. Chadwick, .		
Rev. L. E. Davis,		Methodist Protestant.
Rev. W. A. Blackwell, ...		African M. E. Zion.
Rev. Howard B. Grose,	}	Baptist Churches, North.
Professor C. J. Galpin,		
Pres. J. W. Mauck,		Gen. Conf. Free Baptists.
Rev. W. W. Staley,		Christian Church.
Rev. H. C. Herring, ...	}	Congregational.
Rev. Roy B. Guild,		
Rev. Shepherd Knapp,	}	Congregational.
(Alternate),		
Rev. J. H. Garrison, ...	}	Disciples of Christ.
Rev. Peter Ainslie,		
Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, ..		Evangelical Association.
Rev. E. H. Delk,		Lutheran Gen. Synod.
Rev. A. S. Shelly,		Mennonite.
Bishop Morris W. Leibert,		Moravian.
Rev. H. C. Minton,	}	Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.
W. H. Scott,		
Rev. T. S. Clyce,		Presbyterian Church in the U. S.
Rt. Rev. Ethelbert Talbot,		Protestant Episcopal.
Bishop Samuel Fallows, .		Reformed Episcopal.
Rev. Ame Vennema,		Reformed Church in America.
Rev. A. E. Dahlman,		Reformed Church in the U. S.
Pres. David McKinney, ..		Reformed Presbyterian.
Pres. Boothe C. Davis, ...		Seventh Day Baptist.
Rev. S. Edgar Nicholson, .		Friends.
Bishop W. M. Bell,		United Brethren.
Bishop U. F. Swengel, ...		United Evangelical.
Rev. James E. Walker, ...		United Presbyterian.
Rev. John C. Jones,		Welsh Presbyterian.

President Mathews introduced Rev. Samuel J. Niccolls as the Presiding Officer of the morning session.

Owing to the absence of the appointed speaker, President Edward D. Eaton, a paper prepared by President Eaton, upon "The Work of State Federations", was read by Prof. J. P. Deane, of Beloit College, Wisconsin.

Addresses on "Church Federations—City and Rural," were given by Rev. Clair E. Ames, Secretary of the Church Federation of St. Louis; Rev. Andrew B. Wood, Secretary of the Inter-Church Federation of Baltimore, Md.; and Rev. Walter Laidlaw, Secretary of the New York City Federation of Churches.

The Executive Committee presented the following amendments to the Constitution, which were adopted "by a majority vote of the members, followed by a majority vote of the representatives of the several constituent bodies each voting separately" in accord with Article 10 of the Constitution:

"That Article 9, Section A, of the Constitution be amended by striking therefrom the words 'a Corresponding Secretary,' and by adding the words 'vacancies among the Vice Presidents or in the Executive Committee may be filled by the Executive Committee on nomination by the representatives on the Executive Committee of the constituent body in which the vacancy may occur,' so that the article as amended shall read, 'The officers of this Federal Council shall be a President, one Vice President from each of its constituent bodies, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and an Executive Committee who shall perform the duties usually assigned to such officers. Vacancies among the Vice Presidents or in the Executive Committee may be filled by the Executive Committee on nomination by the representatives on the Executive Committee of the constituent body in which the vacancy may occur.'"

"That Section B be amended by striking therefrom the words, 'the Corresponding Secretary' and inserting the words 'the Secretary or Secretaries of the Council other than the Recording Secretary shall be chosen by the Executive Committee, which shall have authority to fix their duties and their salaries,' so that the article as amended shall read, 'The Secretary or Secretaries of the Council other than the Recording Secretary shall be chosen by the Executive Committee which shall have authority to fix their duties and their salaries, and they shall aid in organizing and assisting local Councils and shall represent the Federal Council in its work under the direction of the Executive Committee.'"

"That Section C be amended by striking therefrom the words, 'the Corresponding Secretary' and that the words 'one representative' be changed to 'two representatives'; also by inserting the word 'one' be-

fore 'minister' and 'layman'; also after the word 'representative' be inserted the words, 'which may be either a minister or layman' and inserting after the word 'organization' the words 'at the call of the President of the Council' so that the article as amended shall read, 'The Executive Committee shall consist of two representatives: one minister and one layman from each of the constituent bodies, and one additional representative who may be either a minister or layman for every five hundred thousand of its communicants or major fraction thereof, together with the President, all ex-Presidents, the Recording Secretary, and the Treasurer. The Executive Committee shall have authority to attend to all business of the Federal Council in the intervals of its meetings and to fill all vacancies. It shall meet for organization at the call of the President of the Federal Council immediately upon the adjournment of the Federal Council, and shall have power to elect its own officers.' "

"That Article 9, Section F, be amended by the insertion after the word 'committee' of the words 'and their alternates' so that the section as amended shall read: 'The Vice Presidents, the members of the Executive Committee and their alternates shall be elected by the Council upon nomination by the representatives in attendance, of each of their respective constituent bodies.' "

"That Article 8 be amended to read: 'The Federal Council shall meet once in every four years and the term of service of the delegates or their alternates shall be four years, or until their successors shall be appointed. Special meetings may be called by the Executive Committee.' "

The Executive Committee presented the following amendments to the By-Laws which were adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Council, in accord with By-Law No. 14:

"That By-Law No. 1 be amended by the addition of the words, 'The time and place of special meetings shall be determined by the Executive Committee'; so that the By-Law as amended would read, 'The Council shall meet quadrennially on the first Wednesday of December at eight o'clock in the evening and at such place as the Executive Committee shall from time to time determine. The place and time of special meetings shall be determined by the Executive Committee.' "

"That By-Law No. 3 be amended by striking therefrom the words 'the Corresponding and the Recording Secretaries' and inserting the words 'the Recording Secretary and the Secretary or Secretaries to whom this duty may be assigned by the Executive Committee' so that the Article as amended would read, 'The Recording Secretary and the Secretary or Secretaries, to whom this duty may be assigned by the Executive Committee, shall make up the roll of representatives in the

Council from the certificates of the proper officers of the constituent bodies composing the Council, and no one not thus certified shall be enrolled. The Council shall determine any question arising as to the validity of certificates.' ”

“That By-Law No. 8 be amended to read: ‘The following Commissions subject to the Executive Committee shall be appointed to serve until their successors are elected, and shall report at least annually to the Executive Committee and as much oftener as the Executive Committee may require. The President shall select the Chairmen of these Commissions which shall have power to choose such other officers as they may need for the conduct of their affairs.’ ”

“A Commission on State and Local Federations to consist of fifteen members appointed by the Executive Committee of the Council. This Commission shall advise with State and Local Federations, disseminate information respecting them, and arrange for future conferences of representatives of these federations, especially in connection with the sessions of the Federal Council. It shall carry on its work subject to the Executive Committee.”

“The Commissions other than the Commission on State and Local Federations shall consist of at least twenty-five members, three-fifths of whom must be members of the Council, appointed by the President of the Council and additional members on the basis of the representation in the Executive Committee, to be appointed by the President of the Council on nomination by each of the organizations engaged in similar activities officially representative of the Christian bodies entitled to representation in the Federal Council. These Commissions may also recommend to the Executive Committee additional names of persons interested in the work of the Commissions to a number not to exceed ten and the Executive Committee shall have power to add such members to the Commissions. The authority making the appointment shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur.”

“These Commissions according to the Constitution of the Council can not commit the Boards or Agencies of the churches to any policies or expenses unless these policies or expenses are approved by the respective Boards or Agencies.”

“These Commissions shall be as follows:

(a) A Commission on Foreign Missions, to which shall be referred all matters relating to the administration of missions in the foreign field.

(b) A Commission on Home Missions, to which shall be referred all matters relating to the administration of missions in the home field.

(c) A Commission on The Church and Religious Education, to which shall be referred all matters relating to moral and religious education.

(d) A Commission on The Church and Social Service, to co-operate with similar church organizations in the study of social conditions and to secure a more natural relationship between working men and the Church.

(e) A Commission on Family Life, to which shall be referred all matters relating to marriage and divorce and the development of family life.

(f) A Commission on Sunday Observance, to which shall be referred all matters relating to a better observance of the Lord's Day.

(g) A Commission on Temperance, to which shall be referred all matters relating to the suppression of the drink traffic.

(h) A Commission on Peace and Arbitration, to which shall be referred all matters relating to Peace and International relations.

(i) A Commission on Evangelism, to which shall be referred all matters connected with the promotion of the spirit of evangelism and evangelistic work in this country.

"That By-Law No. 9 be amended by striking out the words 'the Corresponding Secretary'; also the words, 'and shall perform the duties customary to his office'; also the words, 'Associate and District Secretaries', and by inserting the words 'the Secretaries chosen by the Executive Committee' and also inserting the words, after the word 'necessary', 'such Secretaries as it may deem advisable and to designate their respective relations and duties' so that the By-Law as amended would read, 'The Secretaries chosen by the Executive Committee shall conduct the correspondence of the Council and of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall have full power to appoint, when necessary, such Secretaries as it may deem advisable and to designate their respective relations and duties.'"

"That By-Law No. 13 be amended by striking out the word 'Corresponding' and by the addition of the words, 'or Secretaries to whom this duty may be assigned by the Executive Committee' so that the By-Law as amended would read, 'The Minutes of the Council shall be published regularly, under the editorship of the Secretary or Secretaries to whom this duty may be assigned by the Executive Committee.'"

The following resolution was adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the President, the Chairman of the Executive Committee, and the Recording Secretary be appointed a special Committee on editing the Constitution and By-Laws to make any necessary changes in the language of the amendments necessary to consistency, provided that no change be made in the sense."

Rev. Hubert C. Herring presented the following report of

the Executive Committee on the Budget for the coming year which was adopted:

"A forecast of the necessary expenditures of a Quadrennium is exceedingly difficult not only because of the impossibility of anticipating the type and extent of the development of the Council's work, but also because the volume of expenditure must depend upon our ability to secure official representatives adapted to the task of carrying out a particular policy upon which we may determine. Our recommendations are therefore limited to the year immediately before us. In general, it is the judgment of your Committee that the Council's function of education and leadership calls for the service of at least three Secretaries. These ought all to be connected with the central office though not necessarily all resident in New York.

"Should circumstances permit locating one of them in Washington, to care for the manifold interests which head up at the National Capitol and to have a special relation to the Southern field, it would appear to your Committee an altogether desirable arrangement. The Council has now in its service only a single Secretary aside from the Honorary Secretary, and presumably it will not be possible wisely to increase the force to the full number suggested at an early day. Additions should be made only as the right men can be found and the necessary support assured.

"Your Committee therefore names \$10,000 as the anticipated expenditure of the coming year for secretarial force including the Honorary Secretary.

"For the general expenses of the office, we name the sum of \$15,000. This includes the \$5,000 set aside by a vote of the Executive Committee in each of the past two years for the Social Service Commission. Under existing circumstances, any clear cut separation of such expenses from the other general expenses of the office is quite impossible.

"There is also included in this amount \$1,000 for the annual meeting of the Executive Committee. This makes a total Budget of \$25,000.

"It should also be recognized that the Executive Committee may, where funds are provided for the special purposes of any Commission, accept and use them as is now done in the case of the Peace Commission whose Secretary, Rev. Frederick Lynch, is paid out of such a special fund.

"It does not appear to your Committee wise or necessary at this time to ask for an increase of the denominational apportionment. If representatives of the denominations here represented will co-operate vigorously, the receipts from denominations under the existing arrangement can be brought up to at least \$14,000 and this amount, plus the sum received from individual subscriptions last year, will practically cover the proposed Budget.

"Your Committee does not feel that it is possible to place a restriction upon the field in which personal contributions may be sought, but of

course recognizes the importance of having careful regard for the interests of State and local federations in all its financial as well as other effort. It is pointed out that only a little over 900 personal gifts were received last year. These constitute but a trifling percentage of the 16,000,000 members of denominations represented."

Voted to adjourn to meet at 2:30 P. M.

Prayer was offered by Rev. A. G. Lawson.

Assembly Hall—December 6th, 2:30 P. M.

Rev. Hubert C. Herring, presiding.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Samuel K. Mosiman.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions was presented by Chairman, Rev. L. C. Barnes.

The report was adopted as a whole.

The Chairman of the Committee on Program offered the following recommendation, which was adopted:

"In the absence of Bishop Walters, the Program Committee would recommend that we carry over to Saturday afternoon the report assigned to him, and bring forward from Saturday afternoon the report of the Special Committee on Week Day Instruction in Religion assigned for 3:45 P. M."

Owing to the absence of Rev. George U. Wenner, Chairman of the Special Committee on Week Day Religious Instruction, this report was read by Rev. Frank Mason North.

It was voted that the report be received and the recommendations embodied in the report be adopted.

The following resolution, from the Executive Committee, was reported with appropriate remarks, by Rev. William H. Roberts, and was adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America hereby places on record its high appreciation of the services rendered by Rev. Charles S. Macfarland, D.D., acting Executive Secretary of the Council during the past year, and also as Corresponding Secretary pro tem, and especially his self-sacrificing and successful labors in connection with the preparations for the meetings of the Council, labors made more exacting in their nature by the emergency which arose through the sudden and serious illness of the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. E. B. Sanford."

Voted, to adjourn, to meet on Saturday at 9:30 A. M.

Prayer was offered by Bishop William A. Quayle.

Second Presbyterian Church—Friday Evening, December 6th.

Robert H. Gardiner, former President of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew of the Protestant Episcopal Church, presiding.

The Scriptures were read by Charles P. Janney. Prayer was offered by Rev. Samuel J. Niccolls.

Addresses on "Young People's Organizations and Christian Unity," were given by Rev. Howard B. Grose, of Boston, Mass.; Rev. Wilbur F. Sheridan, General Secretary of the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. W. C. Bitting, of St. Louis, Mo.; and Hon. Thomas R. Marshall, Vice-President-Elect of the United States.

Assembly Hall—Saturday 9:30 A. M., December 7th.

Rev. T. S. Clyce, presiding.

Scripture was read by Rev. William D. Bradfield. Prayer was offered by Rev. Wallace Radcliffe.

It was voted that a communication of sympathy be sent to Dean Walter Taylor Sumner, Protestant Episcopal delegate, whose illness prevented his attendance upon the meetings of the Council.

The following legal notice of the incorporation of the Council was read by the Chairman of the Executive Committee:

"Notice is hereby given that at the Quadrennial Meeting of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, to be held in Chicago, Illinois, at the Assembly Room of the La Salle Hotel, on the fifth day of December, 1912, the question of the incorporation of said Federal Council will be taken up and a motion made that the Executive Committee of the said Federal Council (being the directors of said Federal Council), which is an unincorporated association, be authorized to incorporate the said Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America under and pursuant to the Laws of the State of New York.

(Signed) E. B. SANFORD,
Corresponding Secretary."

The following resolution on the incorporation of the Council was adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the Council approves of its incorporation, under its full title as the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, and authorizes the Executive Committee to secure incorporation, at its discretion."

The following resolution on the meetings of the Council was adopted:

"WHEREAS, The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America stands for those things which are vital to the Church Universal; and

"WHEREAS, The furtherance of these things might be promoted by more frequent meetings of the Council; therefore,

"Resolved, That when we adjourn it be to meet at the call of the Executive Committee, and that the Committee consider favorably the advisability of a meeting of the Council to be held during the fall of 1914."

A Resolution on the recognition of the Republic of China was referred to the Executive Committee for consideration and presentation to the Council.

The Business Committee reported as follows:

First.—A communication relating to a canvass of voters against the saloon which was directed to be referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Second.—Communications asking that the Federal Council make a deliverance on the subject of the Christians in Turkey and that an appeal be made to safeguard for all time the interests of Christians in the Ottoman Empire. This was approved, and the Council voted to refer the matter to the Executive Committee to prepare the statement, and that the Committee be authorized to issue it in the name of the Council.

The Chairman of the Executive Committee reported the following resolution which was adopted:

"Resolved, That the Executive Committee report to the Council Resolutions expressing our fraternal greetings to the Churches of China, and also a paper requesting the recognition of the Republic of China by the Government of the United States."

The report of the Committee on Family Life was presented by Rev. George P. Eckman, Acting Chairman.

It was voted that the report be referred back to the Committee, for revision.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Observance was presented by Rev. Peter Ainslie, Chairman.

Voted that the report of the Committee be adopted.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was presented by the Chairman, Rev. Rufus W. Miller. After the discussion and adoption of certain amendments, the report was adopted except item 2 which was recommitted to the Committee for revision.*

President Mathews then introduced the Hon. Charles W. Fairbanks, ex-Vice-President of the United States, who addressed the Council.

Voted, to adjourn, to meet at 2:30 P. M.

The Benediction was pronounced by Bishop Hendrix.

Assembly Hall—December 7th, 2:30 P. M.

Rev. Ame Vennema, presiding.

Scripture was read by Rev. Charles E. Tebbetts. Prayer was offered by President Boothe C. Davis.

The report of the Committee on Literature and Education, supplemented by a report from the Conference of Theological Seminaries which preceded the Council, was presented by the Chairman, Rev. George B. Stewart.

The reports were accepted and the recommendations were adopted.

In the absence of the appointed speaker, Bishop Alexander Walters, the report on "Work Among Special Populations" was presented by Rev. W. A. Blackwell.

Voted that the report be accepted.

The Executive Committee reported the following resolutions on China which were adopted:

"*Resolved*, 1, That this Federal Council hereby records its gratitude to God for the wonderful providence which has given to our fellow-Christians in China and the Chinese people, a new government which has as its fundamental principles liberty, both civil and religious; equality; enlightenment; and progress.

"*Resolved*, 2, That we extend to the Christian churches of the new Republic our heartiest congratulations upon the extraordinary opportunity now afforded them to glorify God and serve their nation by helping to lay a foundation of truth and righteousness for the newly established Republic, and that we assure the Christians of China that they have the hearty Godspeed and the unceasing prayers of the Christians of the United States of America.

*See Gray Book.

“Resolved, 3, That this Federal Council respectfully requests the government of the United States to take early action for the recognition by it of the Republic of China, and that the President of the Council be entrusted with this duty, associating with himself such other members as he may select.”

Bishop Hendrix reported the following resolution on persecuted Christians which was adopted:

“The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America affectionately tender to their fellow-Christians under the flags of other nations their sincere sympathies in their peculiar trial during periods of war and upheaval.”

Rev. Rufus W. Miller, Chairman of the Committee on Temperance, submitted a supplementary report which was adopted.

Voted to adopt the report as a whole.

Rev. George P. Eckman requested that the report of the Committee on Family Life be referred to the Business Committee. The request was granted and the report was so referred.

Voted, to adjourn, to meet on Monday, 9:30 A. M.

Prayer was offered by President Boothe C. Davis.

Olympic Theatre—Sunday, December 8th, 3 P. M.

Rev. Frank Mason North, presiding.

Scripture was read by Dean W. F. Tillett. Prayer was offered by Rev. T. S. Clyce.

Rev. Frank Mason North introduced President Shailer Mathews, who spoke upon “The Scope and Purpose of the Federal Council”.

Addresses were given by Rev. Walter Rauschenbusch, of Rochester Theological Seminary, and Professor Edward A. Steiner, of Grinnell, Ia.

The Benediction was pronounced by Rev. William I. Haven.

Assembly Hall—Monday, 9:30 A. M., December 9th.

Rt. Rev. Ethelbert Talbot, presiding.

Scripture was read by Bishop C. T. Shaffer. Prayer was offered by Rev. William H. Roberts.

The report of the Commission on the Church and Social Service was presented by the Chairman, Rev. Frank Mason North.

It was voted that action on the report of the Commission on the Church and Social Service be deferred until the afternoon session.

By invitation of the Council, Miss Louise Holmquist, Secretary of the National Board of the Young Women's Christian Associations, addressed the Council, expressing the desire of that body to serve the united churches.

The following resolution on "Work Among Negroes" was adopted:

"WHEREAS, The religious and spiritual development of the Negroes has been almost entirely committed to the members of that race by all the denominations; and

"WHEREAS, The ever growing Negro population is ever shifting from one section of our country to another, thus creating the necessity to follow them with the Gospel; and

"WHEREAS, This work is being done so well and is vital to the nation and our common Christendom; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the Federal Council hereby extends its congratulations to these workers, and commends them to the sympathetic interest of all the people."

The report of the Commission on International Peace and Arbitration was presented by Rev. Charles E. Beals, of Chicago, Secretary of the western branch of the American Peace Society, as the representative of the Chairman, Rev. J. B. Remensnyder, who was absent.

It was voted that the report be received and that the recommendations embodied in the report be adopted.

Voted that a resolution on the holding of an Ecumenical Conference in behalf of International Peace be referred to the Executive Committee.

It was voted that President Mathews be requested to furnish the Secretary a copy of the sermon delivered by him on Sunday, December 8, 1912, in the Second Presbyterian Church of Chicago, for insertion in the volume of proceedings of this session of the Federal Council.

The Business Committee offered the following resolution which was adopted.

"WHEREAS, The Judiciary Committee of the Senate of the United States has favorably recommended Senate Bill 4043 known as the Kenyon-Sheppard Inter-State Liquor Shipment Bill, and,

"WHEREAS, This Bill is made a special order of the Senate for Monday, December 16, 1912, and the Bill is likely to be considered at an early date by the House of Representatives; therefore,

"Resolved, That the Federal Council earnestly requests its members, on their return home, in their capacity as citizens, to petition their representatives in the Congress of the United States by letter and telegram, to favor the passage of said Bill."

It was voted that the following telegrams be sent by the President and Recording Secretary, to the President Pro tem. of the United States Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

CHICAGO, ILL., December 9, 1912.

"The Speaker of the House of Representatives, Hon. Champ Clark, Washington, D. C.:

The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, now in session, Chicago, Illinois, representing thirty denominations with an aggregate membership of sixteen millions, distributed in every State of the Union, unanimously request the passage of the Kenyon-Sheppard Inter-State Liquor Shipment Bill, Senate Bill No. 4043, in the interest of justice to all concerned, and the welfare of the people.

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RIVINGTON D. LORD, *Recording Secretary*."

The question of the discontinuance of the District System having been referred to the Business Committee, the follow-

ing resolution, reported by that Committee, was adopted by the Council:

“Resolved, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Executive Committee the Federal Council directs the discontinuance of the Secretarial District system.”

The following resolution of greeting was adopted:

“Resolved, That this Federal Council does hereby send a cordial greeting to all the State and Local Church Federations, together with an expression of our hearty sympathy with them in their difficult task and our earnest hope that they will put new strength into their work and achieve even greater success in the future.”

The following resolutions were submitted by the Business Committee and adopted:

“Resolved, That the Federal Council endorses the proposition for the establishment of a central office of the Council at Washington, D. C., to be under the administrative supervision of the Executive Committee.

“The Executive Committee is directed to establish such an office as early as is feasible, to be in charge of an efficient Secretary, chosen by the Executive Committee, which Committee is given power to provide for the operation of the office and its proper equipment.”

“Resolved, That in view of facts concerning the lack of adequate provision of chaplains in the United States Navy, the Executive Committee be requested to prepare a statement on this subject, to be signed by the President and Secretary of the Council and the officers of the Executive Committee, urging upon Congress the necessity of an immediate action upon this subject; and that copies of the same be sent to the President of the United States and both Houses of Congress.”

Dr. Macfarland presented the report of the Committee on Credentials, which was adopted.*

The Business Committee presented the following resolutions on the Religious Press, which were adopted:

“WHEREAS, The Federal Council is dependent upon the Religious Press for the adequate spread of its ideals and working program; therefore, be it

“Resolved, That we commend to the Executive Committee the propriety of making a distinct effort to secure the presence of the editors of the religious papers at the sessions of the Council; also

*See Page 104ff.

“Resolved, That in the interests of a better understanding of the relations of the religious press to the interpretation and dissemination of the ideals of this body, we suggest to the Executive Committee the expediency of including in some report for the next meeting of the Council a report on the status of the religious press in this country; also

“Resolved, That the Council earnestly urges upon all our people the importance of the religious periodical press for the maintenance of safe popular standards of judgment as to public questions, as well as for spreading among our churches knowledge of and interest in the great missionary and reform movements which depend upon the churches for their success.”

The following resolution on International Peace was adopted:

“Resolved, That the Council favors the organization of a Church Peace League in America, the annual observance of Peace Sunday by the churches, and the memorializing of the Third Hague Conference in behalf of the establishment of a permanent court of international justice and the adoption of such other measures as shall render war unnecessary and impossible. It calls upon Christian men and women to unite in a demand that the teaching and spirit of Jesus be applied in international relations by our national Congress and Department of State.”

Voted, to adjourn, to meet at 2:30 P. M.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Ernest H. Abbott.

Monday, 2:30 P. M.—Assembly Hall.

Bishop Morris W. Leibert, presiding.

Scripture was read by Chancellor D. S. Stephens. Prayer was offered by Rev. Frank Mason North.

The Minutes of the meetings held on Saturday, December 7th, and Monday morning, December 9th, were read and approved.

It was voted that the further Minutes of the Council be referred to the Executive Committee and the Recording Secretary with power to adopt them.

The report of the Committee on Evangelism was presented by the Chairman, Rev. William H. Roberts.

Voted to accept the report and to adopt the plan submitted therein.

A season of prayer followed the adoption of the report.

Rev. Frank Mason North presented the amended report of the Commission on the Church and Social Service which was adopted.

The following resolution was adopted:

“Resolved, That the pastors of all churches belonging to denominations represented in this Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America be requested to read before their congregations the sixteen articles of the declaration of the Commission on the Church and Social Service, and that the press be requested to publish the same.”

The Business Committee submitted the following in reference to the report of the Committee on Family Life, which was adopted:*

“Owing to conditions which have been explained and of which the Council is cognizant, the report of the Committee on Family Life was placed in the hands of the Business Committee with instructions to consider the same and to recommend to the Council for its adoption any modifications which may to it seem wise.

“The papers bearing upon the subject came into the hands of the Committee at a very late hour and accordingly, it has been impossible to give to the matter the attention which its importance deserves.

“The Business Committee recommends the approval of the narrative portion of the report as it was originally presented to the Council and as found in the printed copy, except as changed by the Committee itself in one respect, namely, by the omission of the lines on page 3j as indicated by the Chairman in presenting the report. In addition, we recommend the adoption of the following:

“1. This Council expresses its deep sense of the vital importance of the sanctity of the marriage relation, of the integrity of the family as constituting the unit of society, and of the preservation of the home in all its sacredness and purity.

“2. The Council declares its profound conviction that the only final and authoritative source of doctrine and duty on this subject of marriage and divorce is to be found in the teachings of Holy Scripture.

“3. That in the interpretation and application of these teachings, as thus constituting the basis of a consensus of our churches, there is room for conscientious difference, but that there should always be found such mutual consideration as is becoming to those who are loyal to the same supreme standard and are subject to the same supreme Lord.

“4. We deplore the existence of all industrial, economic, and social conditions which menace or injuriously affect the safe-guards of the home and the tender and lasting influences of which it should be the abiding source.

*See Gray Book.

"5. We deplore the demoralizing views which find their expression in the statutes of many of the States of the Union and also the lax ideas which determine the conduct of many of the people concerning the whole subject of marriage and divorce; and we would call upon all the churches represented in this Council to use every legitimate means in their power to educate the public mind in favor of a uniformity in State legislation upon the highest standard that can be attained.

"6. That as divorce presupposes marriage, increased attention should be given to the proper qualifications, both physical and moral, of those who contemplate marriage and to the proper conditions upon which it should receive the sanctions of religion and of the Church."

The following resolutions presented by the Business Committee were adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the relation of State and local federations to the Federal Council or its Commissions be referred to the Commission on Federations for determination, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee."

"*Resolved*, That the Business Committee of the Federal Council hereafter be appointed at the first business session of the Council."

"*Resolved*, That the Executive Committee be requested to prepare and submit to the next meeting of the Federal Council such amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws as may seem to them necessary and desirable."

"*Resolved*, That the Federal Council hereby tenders its hearty thanks to Rev. William H. Roberts, D.D., LL.D., the Acting President at the beginning of the First Meeting of the Federal Council in Philadelphia in 1908, and since then the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Council, for his devotion to the high ideals of unity and co-operation set up by the Council, and his valuable services on its behalf, not only within the boundaries of his own church, but also in the wider field of the federated activities of the Council."

"*Resolved*, That the Executive Committee be requested to plan for a more adequate report of the proceedings of this Council in its future meetings, through the newspaper press of the country."

"*Resolved*, That the Secretary of this Council be requested to prepare an illuminating summary of the proceedings of this session and send a copy of the same to every accredited delegate and to the religious press in the country, according to his discretion."

"*Resolved*, That the Executive Committee of the Federal Council be instructed to make proper overtures to those national religious bodies eligible to membership, still outside this Council, respectfully urging their entrance into the Council."

The following resolutions were received from the Executive Committee:

"WHEREAS, The local Presbyteries around San Francisco Bay, and the Synod of California, of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., one of the constituent bodies of this Federal Council, overtured their General Assembly concerning an interdenominational evangelistic campaign in connection with the Panama Pacific Exposition in 1915; and

"WHEREAS, It does not appear practicable in its present condition for this Council itself to undertake to conduct an enterprise involving so large an expense; and

"WHEREAS, The greatness of the opportunity to present Christ to unevangelized peoples, as well as to those from lands where the Gospel is known, would seem to demand the leadership of a body with national or even international standing and resources; therefore, be it

"*Resolved*, 1, That the Federal Council expresses its hearty approval of the plan of presenting Christ to the peoples who will be gathered at the Panama Pacific Exposition in 1915, by every available means; particularly by the conduct of an interdenominational, polyglot campaign of Gospel preaching, of distribution of the Scriptures and Christian literature; together with a worldwide exhibit of missions.

"*Resolved*, 2, That the Council earnestly urges generous and vigorous co-operation on the part of the organized agencies and the individual members of the churches of the Council."

Voted that the resolution respecting the proper presentation of united Christianity at the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco in 1915 be approved and the decision and administration of details be referred to the Executive Committee newly elected.

The question of the permanent Business Committee having been referred to the Business Committee of the Federal Council, the following resolution was submitted for the approval of the Council, and adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the Executive Committee be authorized to constitute an Administrative Committee, which shall be composed of the President, Recording Secretary and Treasurer of the Federal Council, the Chairman, and Secretary of the Executive Committee, and nine additional members, to be selected every four years by the Executive Committee. This Administrative Committee shall have charge, in the intervals between the meetings of the Executive Committee, of all its routine business, with authority to receive reports from the Secretaries and to give directions as to the method of conducting the work entrusted to it, re-

port of the same to be made to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall have power to fill vacancies."

The following action was taken concerning Sunday School work in promoting Christian unity.

"The Federal Council recognizes the important service rendered by organized Sunday School work in promoting Christian unity as seen in the County, State, International and World's Sunday School Associations. For many years these Associations, composed of representatives of the different denominations, have in their conventions manifested the unity of believers in the great work of the Sunday School.

"We rejoice in all that the Sunday School has done and is doing in the teaching of God's word; in the promotion of temperance and other virtues and for its evangelism resulting in the conversion of so many of the young and bringing them into full membership of the Church. The Sunday School is no longer only a place for children, but the Men's Bible Classes being organized in all parts of the country is one of the encouraging signs of the times as they are conserving the good which came from the Men and Religion Movement.

"The Executive Committee is authorized to send the greetings of the Federal Council to the World's Sunday School Convention which meets in Zurich, Switzerland, in July, 1913, and to the International Sunday School Convention which meets in Chicago in June, 1914."

The following resolutions, presented by the Business Committee, were adopted:

"WHEREAS, Through Government inquiry and scientific investigation, it has come to be known that the Hookworm infection belts the earth in a zone about 60 degrees wide, extending from parallel 30 South latitude to parallel 36 North, and

"WHEREAS, Fifty-five countries, having 940,000,000 people within this zone are represented as having infection to a greater or less extent, it being estimated that the parasite finds harbor in 90 per cent. of the 300,000,000 of India, in from 70 to 76 per cent. of the farming population of Yang-tse Valley and 50 per cent. of the laboring people of Egypt, and

"WHEREAS, The Hookworm infection undermines health, destroys efficiency, interferes with education, impedes civilization, affects the morals, is an obstacle to missionary success, and causes great economic waste, and

"WHEREAS, The Hookworm infection can be eradicated by sanitation and simple medication as has been demonstrated in Switzerland and elsewhere; therefore,

“Resolved, 1, That the Federal Council hereby records its high appreciation of the contribution made by the Commission known as ‘‘The Rockefeller Sanitary Commission for the Eradication of Hookworm Disease’’ by conducting and stimulating scientific inquiry, educational propaganda and successful treatment of the malady.

“Resolved, 2, That the Federal Council commends most heartily the efforts of the ‘Medical Missionary Association of China,’ and the Governmental, local and personal campaigns and activities to grapple with the malady.

“Resolved, 3, That the Federal Council also expresses its hearty appreciation of the notable advance made in recent years in the effort to prevent and cure tuberculosis, Bubonic plague, cholera and other great world plagues.

“Resolved, 4, That the Federal Council requests all ministers, teachers, Governments and Associations and the press to assist in prosecuting the crusade against these insidious, wide-spread and destructive plagues.”

The following action was taken concerning the Second World’s Christian Citizenship Conference:

“The Council notes the near approach of the Second World’s Christian Citizenship Conference which is to be held in Portland, Oregon, June 29, to July 6, 1913, under the auspices of the National Reform Association, for the consideration of many of the great social problems that are pressing for solution in all communities and in all countries; and which are to be discussed by representative Christian thinkers and workers from many lands upon a platform distinctively but comprehensively Christian. In the belief that all these questions are fundamentally moral questions and that no permanent adjustment of them can be reached except as they are approached in the spirit and in the light of Christianity and are solved according to the law of God and the teachings of Holy Scripture, the Council expresses its profound interest in the purpose and success of said Conference.”

The following recommendations were made by the Business Committee and adopted by the Council:

“WHEREAS, The Federal Council meets but once in four years except as it is called together by the Executive Committee, and

“WHEREAS, The members of the Executive Committee are elected only by the Quadrennial Meeting of the Federal Council, and

“WHEREAS, The exigencies of nature render it possible that certain of the constituent bodies in the Federal Council may thus be deprived altogether of representation in the Executive Committee; therefore be it

“Resolved, That we commend to the consideration of the Executive Committee the propriety of bringing forward some by-law or other rule

whereby each of the constituent bodies of the Federal Council shall be instructed to elect as many alternates as they elect members of the Executive Committee.

"And we beg to suggest to the Executive Committee the propriety of defining the functions of the alternates as being the same as the regular members of the Executive Committee with the exception that they shall serve without any expense to the treasury of the Federal Council.

"It is to be expected that alternates will always be notified of meetings of the Executive Committee and they will be expected to attend under the limitations already outlined."

Rev. William H. Roberts presented, on behalf of the Executive Committee, the following report and resolutions of thanks which were adopted:

"The due acknowledgments of the obligations of the Council in addition to those made in the cases of Rev. E. B. Sanford, and Rev. Charles S. Macfarland, are cordially submitted for adoption as follows:

"The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America convened in its Second Quadrennial Meeting hereby expresses its thanks:

1. "To the first President of the Federal Council, Rev. Eugene R. Hendrix, D.D., Bishop M. E. Church, South, for the distinguished and devoted service rendered by him during the four years past—a service given in generous and instructive ways, greatly to the welfare of the churches—and also for the admirable manner in which he presided over the opening sessions of this Council.

2. "To the President of the Council, Professor Shailer Mathews, D.D., for the uniform courtesy, patience, ability, and wisdom with which he has presided at the sessions of this historic body, with the pledge of hearty support in all his work.

3. "To Rev. Rivington D. Lord, D.D., Recording Secretary of the Council, for the faithful and skillful performance of his arduous duties both during the Council, and for the four years previous, as the Recording Secretary of the Executive Committee, and also to those associated with him in service at this Council, Rev. Asher Anderson, D.D., Rev. Rufus W. Miller, D.D., Rev. H. B. MacCauley, D.D., Rev. Claudius B. Spencer, D.D., and Rev. J. W. Walker, D.D.; also to the Treasurer, Mr. Alfred R. Kimball, for his unselfish and noteworthy service.

4. "To the Committee of One Hundred, ministers and laymen of the Christian Churches of Chicago, and especially to Rev. John Balcom Shaw, D.D., for the excellent arrangements made by them for the business and popular meetings of the Council, and for the generous hospitality extended to the members and officers of the Council, culminating

in the banquet on Monday evening, December 9, 1912. The officers of the Committee, and the Chairmen of sub-committees are:

Rev. John Balcom Shaw, Chairman.
Rev. M. P. Boynton, Secretary.
George W. Dixon, Treasurer.
Rev. J. H. Chandler, Executive Secretary.
Finance Committee, George W. Dixon.
Hospitality, Rev. William T. McElveen.
Halls and Buildings, C. T. B. Goodspeed.
Music, Rev. Charles M. Stuart.
Publicity, Judge Jesse Holdom.
Meetings, L. Wilbur Messer.
Pulpit Supply, Rev. George N. Lucecock.
Banquet, Marquis Eaton.

5. "To the contributors to the expenses of the Council in all the churches, for their sympathy with the Council, as well as their gifts of money; to those who opened their homes for the entertainment of delegates and speakers, and to the ministers and members of the Christian Churches of the city and its environs for their cordial support of the Council and its purposes.

6. "To the management of the Hotel La Salle for their courteous and kindly provision without charge, of a meeting place for the Council and of rooms for the transaction of its business; to the press of the City of Chicago for such publicity as it has given to the proceedings of the Council; the Religious Press of the country for its interest in all the work of the Council, and to all who in any manner have contributed to the success of this second meeting.

7. "To the supreme governing and advisory bodies of the Constituent Churches of the Council for their hearty support of the cause committed to the care of the Council, requesting an increasing interest on their part in their united work for Christ and the world, through the Council and its Committees and Commissions."

The Executive Committee reported the following resolution on the membership of the Executive Committee, which was adopted:

"*Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Council that the Executive Committee should be constituted from persons accredited as members of the Council so far as practicable."

The President appointed the following Chairmen of Commissions: Rev. Hubert C. Herring, Chairman of the Commission on Home Missions; Rev. William H. Roberts, Chairman

of the Commission on Evangelism, and Rev. George P. Eckman, Chairman of the Commission on Family Life, and gave notice that the other Chairmen of the Commissions would be appointed later.

The lists of Vice-Presidents, members of the Executive Committee, and their alternates, as presented by the various denominational delegations, were received and the persons whose names were reported, were elected.*

The following resolution was adopted:

“*Resolved*, That this Council expresses its hearty sympathy with the churches of Germany and other European countries in view of the coming 400th Anniversary of the beginning of the Protestant Reformation and refers this resolution to the new Executive Committee.”

The President appointed as the Committee on Correspondence: Rev. J. H. Garrison, Rev. Oliver W. Powers, Rev. C. J. Musser, Rev. Howard B. Grose, Rev. Edwin Heyl Delk, Rev. C. B. Spencer, Rev. L. E. Davis, Rev. James E. Clarke, Charles E. Tebbetts, Rev. Jacob Pister.

It was voted that any items of business left unfinished by the Council be referred to the Executive Committee *with power*.

Voted to adjourn in accordance with the resolution empowering the Executive Committee to call the next meeting of the Council.

A season of prayer was led by President Mathews and the closing prayer was offered by Rev. Charles S. Macfarland.

The Benediction was pronounced by Bishop E. R. Hendrix.

(Signed) RIVINGTON D. LORD,
Recording Secretary.

*See Page 135ff.

Minutes of the Organization Meeting of the Executive Committee, at the LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, Illinois.

Monday, December 9, 1912, at 5 P. M.

The new Executive Committee of the Federal Council was called to order by President Shailer Mathews.

The following members were present:

Professor Shailer Mathews	Rev. Jesse W. Brooks
Rev. Edwin Heyl Delk	Hon. C. P. Janney
Rev. C. J. Musser	Rev. Howard B. Grose
Bishop Earl Cranston	Rev. William I. Haven
Bishop L. B. Wilson	Pres. Wm. A. Granville
Rev. A. E. Main	Rev. O. W. Powers
Rev. Frank Mason North	Rev. A. G. Lawson
Rev. H. K. Carroll	Rev. Peter Ainslie
Rev. Rufus W. Miller	Pres. David McKinney
Rev. A. S. Shelly	Rev. R. D. Lord
Charles E. Tebbetts	Rev. Lyman E. Davis
Rev. A. J. C. Bond	Bishop Geo. M. Mathews
Rev. Alfred E. Meyer	W. H. Scott
Rev. Ame Vennema	Bishop E. R. Hendrix
Rt. Rev. Morris W. Leibert	Pres. F. D. Kershner
Rev. Wm. H. Roberts	Rev. H. C. Minton
Rev. J. H. Mohorter	Professor Alfred W. Anthony
Pres. T. E. Cramblet	Rev. Wallace Radcliffe
	Rev. H. J. Callis

Prayer was offered by Rev. William H. Roberts.

Rev. Frank Mason North was elected Chairman; Rev. Howard B. Grose, Vice-Chairman.

Rivington D. Lord was elected Recording Secretary.

On motion of Bishop Hendrix, Rev. Charles S. Macfarland was elected a Secretary of the Federal Council.

Voted that the Chairman be empowered to call a meeting of the Executive Committee in New York City at the earliest possible date.

Voted that the officers of this Committee be the nucleus of the Administrative Committee and that they be empowered to appoint the additional members of that Committee.

Voted that the officers be directed to report on all the necessary details of administration at the meeting of the Committee to be held in January, 1913.

Voted that the next meeting, to be held in January, 1913, is not to be considered as the meeting for which the payment of the traveling expenses of the members is provided in the Budget adopted by the Council.

Voted that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet on Tuesday, 9 A. M., in Room 102 of the La Salle Hotel.

Voted to adjourn.

Prayer was offered by Bishop Wilson.

(Signed) RIVINGTON D. LORD,
Recording Secretary.

Minutes of the Adjourned Meeting of the Executive Committee, at the LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, Illinois.

Tuesday, December 10, 1912, at 9 A. M.

Rev. Frank Mason North, presiding.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Peter Ainslie.

The following members were present:

Rev. Frank Mason North	Rev. A. G. Lawson
Rev. Peter Ainslie	Rev. H. C. Minton
Rev. Jesse W. Brooks	Rev. William I. Haven
Rev. William T. McElveen	Rev. Henry J. Callis
Rt. Rev. Morris W. Leibert	Rev. A. J. C. Bond
Bishop E. R. Hendrix	Rev. O. W. Powers
Pres. F. D. Kershner	Rev. Wm. A. Granville
Rev. A. S. Shelly	President J. W. Mauck
Bishop G. M. Mathews	W. H. Scott
Rev. Wm. H. Roberts	Bishop B. F. Lee
Rev. Wallace Radcliffe	Rev. R. D. Lord
Rev. James E. Walker	Rev. Charles S. Macfarland, Secretary

The Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, December 9th, were read and approved.

Voted, that the Committee on Organization of the Administrative Committee have the power to increase the membership to a total of twenty, if in their judgment, it is deemed advisable, such persons to be resident within 150 miles of New York City, representing certain denominations, and who will be able to attend a majority of the meetings of the Committee.

The matter of the Panama Exposition was referred to the Administrative Committee for immediate consideration.

Voted that the following resolutions introduced by Rev. A. G. Lawson be incorporated as a part of the record of the Council:*

“WHEREAS, The local Presbyteries around San Francisco Bay, and the Synod of California, of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., one of the constituent bodies of this Federal Council, overtured their

*See Page 34.

General Assembly concerning our interdenominational evangelistic campaign in connection with the Panama Pacific Exposition in 1915, and

“WHEREAS, The said General Assembly has referred the entire matter to this Federal Council, and

“WHEREAS, It does not appear practicable in its present condition for this Council itself to undertake to conduct an enterprise involving so large an expense, and

“WHEREAS, The greatness of the opportunity to present Christ to unevangelized peoples, as well as to those from lands where the Gospel is known, would seem to demand the leadership of a body with national or even international standing and resources; therefore, be it

“Resolved, 1, That the Federal Council expresses its hearty approval of the plan of presenting Christ to the peoples who will be gathered at the Panama Pacific Exposition in 1915, by every available means; and particularly by the conduct of an interdenominational polyglot campaign of Gospel preaching, of distribution of the Scriptures and Christian literature; together with a worldwide exhibit of missions.

“Resolved, 2, That the Council earnestly urges generous and vigorous co-operation on the part of the organized agencies and the individual members of the churches of the Council.”

Rev. Peter Ainslie extended an invitation to the Executive Committee to hold the next annual meeting in Baltimore, Md.

Voted to accept the invitation and that Dr. Ainslie be authorized to organize a Local Committee of Arrangements.

The resolutions of the Federal Council concerning the establishment of a Central Office in Washington, D. C., and chaplains in the United States Navy were referred to the Administrative Committee.

Voted that all the Secretaries elected by the Executive Committee be designated as “Secretaries” unless otherwise ordered.

Voted that the Administrative Committee may have power to add to its number others outside of the members of the Executive Committee not to exceed one-fourth of its membership.

Voted that power in regard to matters of expense in the publishing of the volume of proceedings of the Council be given to the Administrative Committee.

Voted that the Administrative Committee consider the advisability of organizing Sub-Committees in different im-

portant centers and report to the January meeting of the Executive Committee.

Voted that the Administrative Committee be instructed to formulate the plan of a financial campaign and to report to the January meeting of the Executive Committee.

Voted that a docket be prepared for the regular meetings of the Committee and that a notice of thirty days, with a copy of the docket, be sent to every member of the Executive Committee.

Voted to adjourn to meet in New York City at a date to be fixed by the Administrative Committee.

Closing prayer was offered by Bishop Lee.

(Signed) RIVINGTON D. LORD,
Recording Secretary.

Quadrennial Report of the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee respectfully presents its report, arranged under appropriate headings and dealing in large part with the business transacted by it during the four years of its operations:

1. CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS.—The Executive Committee came into existence by virtue of the adoption of the Constitution of the Federal Council by its constituent bodies, as appears in Article 9a of the Constitution. Certain other provisions are:

a. *Membership*.—Article 9c of the Constitution of the Federal Council reads as follows: “The Executive Committee shall consist of one representative, minister or layman, from each of the constituent bodies and one additional representative from every five-hundred-thousand of its communicants or major fraction thereof, together with the President, all Ex-Presidents, the Corresponding Secretary, the Recording Secretary and the Treasurer.”*

b. *Election*.—“The members of the Executive Committee shall be elected by the Council upon nominations by the representatives in attendance of each of their respective constituent bodies.” (Constitution, Article 9f.)

c. *Powers*.—The Executive Committee shall have authority to attend to all business of the Federal Council in the intervals of its meetings and to fill all vacancies. It shall meet for organization immediately upon the adjournment of the Federal Council, and shall have power to elect its own officers. (Constitution, Article 9c.)

The Executive Committee has additional powers stated in the By-Laws of the Federal Council as follows: The expenses of the Committees of Council, are “subject to the discretion of the Executive Committee.” (By-Law No. 7) The appointment when necessary of Associate and District Secretaries

*Amended See Page 18. .

and the designation of their respective relations and duties, (By-Law No. 9) The appointment of such Associate Secretaries as may be necessary for the transaction of business both for the Council and for the Committees. (By-Law No. 10) The Committees of the Council are subject to the Executive Committee and are to report at least annually to the Executive Committee and as much oftener as the Executive Committee may require. (By-Law No. 10) The Treasurer's Report to be annually audited. (By-Law No. 11) Public meetings under the direction of the Executive Committee may be held annually in various sections of the country. (By-Law No. 12.)

d. *Rule for Meetings.*—The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the chairman, or in his absence or disability, the call of three of the members representing three of the constituent bodies, and ten days notice of the meeting shall be given.

2. MEETINGS.—The first meeting of the Executive Committee was held in Philadelphia, Pa., in compliance with the requirement of the Constitution, immediately at the close of the first Federal Council, December 8th, 1908. The officers chosen were Chairman, Rev. William H. Roberts, D.D.; Vice Chairman, Rev. Frank Mason North, D.D.; Secretary, Rev. Rivington D. Lord, D.D. The total membership is 62, of whom about one-half were present at this first meeting. The meeting was solely for organization and adjourned to meet in the rectory of Grace Church, New York City, on January 20th, 1909. Other special meetings were held on June 10th, 1909, April 26th, 1910, June 14th, 1911, March 6th and March 22nd, 1912, and September 25th, 1912, all of them being held in the city of New York. Regular annual meetings were held in the Y. M. C. A. Building, Louisville, Ky., on Wednesday, December 8th-10th, 1910, at the Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C., January 25th-26th, 1911, and at Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12th-13th, 1911. These annual meetings, in addition to the business transacted, conducted church services in the Warren Memorial Presbyterian Church at Louisville, Ky., in the First Congregational Church, Washington, D. C., and in

the First Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Pa. The minutes of the regular annual meetings were printed in pamphlet form and are herewith submitted. In all the three cities just named the Committee met with gracious and fraternal hospitality, enjoyed a delightful and saintly fellowship, and appropriate resolutions of thanks were in every case tendered to the churches and the people of the cities in which the Executive Committee met.

3. BUSINESS COMMITTEE.*—A permanent business committee of eleven, including the officers of the Council and of the Executive Committee was constituted on January 20th, 1909, and the duties of the Committee were indicated in the following resolution: "The Business Committee shall have charge, in the intervals between the meetings of the Executive Committee, of all its routine business, with authority to receive reports from both the Corresponding Secretary and the Executive Secretary, and to give directions as to the method of conducting the work entrusted to it." This Committee was increased to twenty members at the meeting of the Executive Committee at Pittsburgh, Pa., and it was ordered that salaried secretaries be not included in the membership.

4. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.—The organization of the office of Executive Secretary was determined upon at the meeting in New York on January 20th, 1909. The Committee on nominations was appointed and corresponded with several of the religious leaders of the churches both clergymen and laymen but without result. During the past year the Rev. Charles S. Macfarland, Ph.D., has acted as Executive Secretary, in addition to being Secretary of the Social Service Commission, and the manner in which he has performed his duties in both spheres is heartily commended. The matter is now in charge of the Business Committee of the Executive Committee.

5. DISTRICT WORK.—The first Federal Council adopted the following recommendation made to it by the Committee on Reorganization and Development. "That in addition to the equipment of the central office in the city of New York, the Executive Committee be authorized as rapidly as funds will

*Amended See Page 34.

permit, to provide for a District Superintendence that will establish at least four offices in strategic centers of population representing different sections of the country."

The Executive Committee proceeded to give to this resolution effect, and organized four districts, the names of which finally were:—(1) Eastern, (2) Central, (3) Southern, (4) Western. Officers were placed in charge of three of these districts, who were first known as District Superintendents, and whose titles were later changed to District Secretaries. The Rev. Charles E. Bacon, D.D., was placed in charge of the central district, with headquarters at Chicago, in 1910; The Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, D.D., was placed in 1910 in charge of the Eastern district, with headquarters at Trenton, N. J., he combining for a large part of his term of service, a pastorate, with his work as Secretary, in the interest of economy; and the Rev. John T. Thomas, Jr., was placed in charge of the Western district, with headquarters at Denver, Colo., but withdrew after about a year's service. The Southern district was not placed in charge of a Secretary.

The development of the work by the District Secretaries, along the lines of Local and State Federations will be given in the report of the Corresponding, the Acting Executive and the other Secretaries. It is sufficient to state that owing to financial reasons, the Executive Committee at its meeting in New York City, on Friday, March 22nd, took the following action: .

*"Resolved, 1, That we recommend to the Federal Council of 1912 that it consider the advisability of discontinuing the district system authorized by the Federal Council of 1908."**

"Resolved, 2, That the District Secretaries be notified of this recommendation and that the Business Committee be empowered to terminate in a proper manner their official relation to this Executive Committee and to the work of the Federal Council."

The Rev. Dr. Bacon, and the Rev. Dr. MacCauley, retired from their offices as District Secretaries on Oct. 1, 1912, and the Executive Committee places on record its high apprecia-

*See Action Page 29.

tion of their fidelity and devotion, and its thanks for the valuable services rendered by them to the cause of Federation and Co-operation.

The Business Committee of the Executive Committee authorized in 1912 the appointment of officers to be entitled Field Commissioners. These are referred to in the report of the Acting Executive Secretary.

6. LITERATURE.—The following resolutions, presented by the Business Committee, on the publication of literature, were adopted at the meeting held March 6, 1912, and deal with the three classes of publications by Standing Committees and Commissions.

“First: Publications which are merely incidental to the programme and work of a Standing Committee or Commission, may be issued without being referred to the Executive or Business Committee upon approval of the Executive Secretary, to whom copies shall be submitted.

“Second: Publications of a more formal character, which, however, do not involve discussions or controverted questions, shall bear, when issued, the imprint of the Standing Committee or Commission, as a part of the Federal Council, and shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Secretary, and the Chairman of the Business Committee, or some member thereof, duly appointed.

“Third: Where books or pamphlets are to be issued which in substance or form require the authorization of the Federal Council, they shall be subject to the approval of the Business Committee, which may, however, delegate its responsibility to a Sub-Committee on literature, which it is hereby empowered to appoint.” [Approved.]

7. DEFINITIONS.—In view of the fact that the Constitution of the Federal Council provides for the organization of Local Federations, etc., the two following definitions and the statement as to Local Branches, were found useful, and were adopted by the Executive Committee.

“a. *Federal Council*.—The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America is a body of clerical and lay delegates, chosen by the National Assemblies of the Christian Churches

Federated, and acts as the central congress of such churches under a Constitution duly adopted, and thus manifests their essential oneness in Jesus Christ as their Divine Lord and Saviour, and brings them into united service for Christ and the world.

“b. *An Interchurch Federation*.—An interchurch Federation is a voluntary association of two or more churches contiguously situated in any State, country, city or other locality and connected with the denominations which are in the Federal Council, and organized under a code of By-Laws adopted by them as a branch of the Federal Council, for the purpose of working together in behalf of the social, moral and spiritual betterment of their communities.

“c. *Local Branches*.—The various state and local Federations being already represented in the Federal Council, not directly but through the delegates chosen by the highest national assemblies of the denominations federated, shall be expected, as local branches, to aid the Federal Council in the promotion of its aims in their communities, and to that end shall be expected, subject to the law of Christian liberty, to follow the rules as laid down in the Standard By-Laws approved by the Federal Council through its Executive Committee, and to be guided by its deliverances; and similarly the local federations within a State shall be expected to promote the unity of the federation movement within the State, subject to the higher law of denominational unity and fellowship as expressed in the organization of the Federal Council.” [Approved.]

8. LYNCHING.—Action was taken upon the subject of lynching at the Pittsburgh meeting, and it is recommended that the same be referred to the Committee on Business for consideration.

“WHEREAS, Law is the safeguard of the individual and the nation, and without it all is confusion, and any interference with its regular course is eminently dangerous to the State; and

“WHEREAS, There have been of late disgraceful and horrifying outbursts of anarchy taking the form of mob violence both in the Northern and Southern States—fifty human beings

having been lynched within the last six months, and two thousand and four hundred and fifty-eight in the last twenty-six years; therefore, be it

“Resolved, That it is the sense of the Executive Committee of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America that the Christian Churches of the Nation exert their influence to put an end to lynching and to protest vigorously against all forms of mob violence. We heartily commend the press both of the North and the South for its brave and fearless attacks upon lynching.” [Approved.]

9. CHAPLAINS IN THE U. S. NAVY.—The subject of the appointment of Chaplains in the United States Navy is one of considerable importance, not from the standpoint of the distribution of appointments to chaplaincies among the several Christian denominations, but from the inadequacy of the provision made for the religious need of officers and men. The total number of Chaplains at present is 21. The Navy comprises 35 Battleships, 32 Cruisers, 21 Gun Boats, 10 Monitors, and 116 smaller vessels. The total of the personnel, officers and men, is 53,375. It is submitted that the number of Chaplains should be increased to at least one for each of the Battleships and Cruisers, or a total of 67. It is recommended that this subject be referred to the Business Committee of the Council for appropriate action.*

10. OFFICE AT WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Executive Committee has had under consideration for some time the establishment of an office of the Federal Council in Washington, D. C., the person in charge thereof to represent the Council at the seat of the National Government. The detail of action in connection with this matter will be reported by the Corresponding Secretary. It is hoped that the Council will give due attention to the subject, and take action thereupon commensurate with its importance.†

11. APPORTIONMENTS.—The Committee on the Finances of the Federal Council, of the Executive Committee, and of the Committees and Commissions is one requiring careful consid-

*See Action Page 30.

†See Action Page 30.

eration. The chief difficulty during its existence which has confronted the Executive Committee, has been the lack of sufficient funds for the proper transaction of Executive Business.

At the meeting at Pittsburgh, Pa., in 1911, the rate of the denominational apportionments for the support of the Federal Council was made \$1.00 for each 1,000 members of the respective denominations, and the hope was expressed "that in view of the importance of the work and its increasing scope the churches would find some way to increase their contributions."

Great credit is due to the Treasurer, Mr. Alfred R. Kimball, and to the members of the Business Committee for the able manner in which they have accomplished their work in the providing of funds. The Acting Executive Secretary, Rev. C. S. Macfarland, Ph.D., also rendered efficient service in this line. There is, however, decided need for further attention to the matter and the following recommendations are submitted in connection therewith:

Resolved, That the apportionments of the churches for the support of the Federal Council be increased from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per one thousand communicants, the method of raising the amount of the apportionment to be left to each church.*

Resolved, 2. That the traveling expenses of the members of the Executive Committee to the annual meetings, be paid from the funds of the Central Office.†

12. CHURCHES NO LONGER MEMBERS.—We have to report with regret that the following churches are no longer members of the Federal Council, the Augustana Synod of the Swedish Lutheran Church, and the Congregational Methodist Church.

13. EVANGELISTIC COMMITTEE.—The establishment of a Committee on Evangelism was authorized in December, 1911, with the Rev. William H. Roberts, D.D., as Chairman. This Committee will present its own report to the Council.

14. PEACE COMMISSION.—A Commission to be known as the Peace Commission, dealing with the subjects of International Peace and Arbitration, was established by the Business Com-

*See Action Page 22.

†See Action Page 13.

mittee of the Executive Committee, with Rev. Frederick Lynch as Secretary. It will present its own report.

15. RULES OF ORDER.—The First Federal Council referred to the Executive Committee certain rules of order, which it did not have time to fully consider. These rules are submitted and recommended for adoption.‡

16. PROGRAMME COMMITTEE.—This Committee was appointed at the meeting in New York in March, 1912, and consists of the following members: Rev. A. G. Lawson, D.D., Rev. Wm. H. Roberts, D.D., Rev. Wm. I. Haven, D.D., Rev. Benj. L. Hobson, D.D., Pres. Charles M. Stuart, D.D., and Pres. Ozora S. Davis, D.D. This Committee will present its own report.

17. CHICAGO COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.—The local arrangements for the meeting of the Council were placed in the hands of the members of the Executive Committee residing in the city of Chicago and of others recommended by them. This Committee organized with the Rev. John Balcom Shaw, D.D., Chairman; the Rev. M. P. Boynton, Secretary; Mr. George W. Dixon, Treasurer; and Rev. J. H. Chandler, Executive Secretary. The admirable arrangements made for the reception and entertainment of the Council, and for the transaction of its business were conducted by this Committee, composed of 100 ministers and laymen. Provision should be made by the Council for an appropriate recognition of the work of this Committee.*

18. RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO BUSINESS.—The following recommendations as to current business are presented for adoption:

In view of the fact that the Executive Committee is authorized to make the preliminary arrangements for the Council, and in view of the responsibility of the Committee for the full performance of its duties.

Resolved, That the Committee be continued in the management of the Programme throughout the sessions of the Council, and that the Chicago Committee of Arrangements also

‡See Action Page 16.

*See Resolution Page 37.

act upon matters entrusted to it until the business be completed. [Approved.]

Resolved, 2. That the Committee on Business, authorized by By-Law No. 6 of the Council, be appointed by the President in accordance with said By-Law No. 6, which reads "The Council shall appoint a Committee on Business to which shall be referred all matters connected with the proceedings of the Council while in session, and all such papers and documents as to the Council may seem proper. It shall consist of two members from each church having more than twenty representatives in the Council and one from each having less than twenty representatives." [Approved.]

Resolved, 3. That the printing of the pamphlet known as "The Gray Book" be approved. [Adopted.]

Resolved, 4. That the reports of the Executive Committee and Special Committees and Commissions, in such detail as may be necessary, be printed in a Volume of the Proceedings of the Council, hereby authorized. [Adopted.]

Resolved, 5. That ten minutes be allotted to the Chairman for the presentation of Reports, that five minutes be given to each other speaker, and five minutes to the Chairman to close the discussion. [Adopted.]

Resolved, That a Committee on Correspondence, composed of ten members be appointed by the President, that shall prepare a letter to the churches represented in the Council, presenting in an appropriate manner the results of the deliberations. [Adopted.]

Resolved, That five Associate Secretaries shall be appointed by the Corresponding and Recording Secretaries, whose duty it shall be to keep the record of the proceedings of the Council, file and preserve papers, and perform such other duties as may be assigned to them. [Adopted.]

In closing this report the Executive Committee desires to acknowledge in the most cordial manner the support which it has received in its work from churches and from individuals. The members of the Committee likewise rejoice in the fellowship in service which has been theirs, and in the opportunities for co-operative work in which they have shared. The earnest

hope is expressed that the Federal Council in its Second Meeting will make yet more clear the objects stated in its Constitution as follows:

1. To express the fellowship and catholic unity of the Christian Church.

2. To bring the Christian bodies of America into united service for Christ and the world.

3. To encourage devotional fellowship and mutual counsel concerning the spiritual life and religious activities of the churches.

4. To secure a larger combined influence for the Churches of Christ in all matters affecting the moral and social condition of the people, so as to promote the application of the law of Christ in every relation of human life.

5. To assist in the organization of local branches of the Federal Council to promote its aims in their communities.

The spirit of the Federal Council is one harmonious with the spiritual unity of believers. This unity is the true source of power for all Christian life and all Christian work. It makes and will continue to make the Federal Council a great power for good, a prayerful endeavor to secure a divine and full answer to the prayer of Jesus Christ, "That they all may be one; as thou Father art in me, and I in thee, that they may be one in us, that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Executive Committee.

WM. HENRY ROBERTS,
Chairman.

Reports of the Secretaries

The following Reports of the Acting Executive Secretary and three District Secretaries are herewith submitted to the Council in the name of the Executive Committee.

WM. H. ROBERTS, *Chairman*.

Report of the Acting Executive Secretary*

REV. CHARLES S. MACFARLAND.

This report is confined to the period commencing January 1, 1912. The work of the Acting Executive Secretary has been two-fold,—as the Executive of the Council, and as the Secretary of the Commission on the Church and Social Service. In addition he has aided the Treasurer in financial matters. He has endeavored to adjust it so that his service in one department has served to complement the work in the others. The secretarial visitation has been in the interest of the Federal Church as such, and at the same time the work for which the Social Service Commission is responsible. A disproportionate amount of the time had to be given this year to the financial interests of both the Council and the Commission. During the earlier part of the year, also, considerable attention was given to the development of the Commission on Peace and Arbitration. During visits to London and Berlin in the summer of 1911, conferences were held with committees of the Associated Councils of Churches in the British and German Empires, and both of these organizations urged the immediate development of a similar movement in America, looking towards the alliance of the churches of the nations. Through the initiative action of the Business Committee a Commission was appointed and organized, a record of which will appear in the report of the Commission. Early in the

*See also Report of Charles S. Macfarland as Secretary of the Commission on the Church and Social Service in "Christian Unity at Work," Page 155ff.

spring of this year, through the generous assistance of Mrs. Black, this Commission was developed and placed in the care of Secretary Lynch.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NATIONAL OFFICE.—The staff of the National Office was organized as follows: Rev. G. Frederick Wells, formerly Research Secretary, was appointed as Assistant to the Executive Secretary, and served during a part of the year, giving his time in addition to the many general details of the work, to the compilation of material relative to Local Federations and Interdenominational Movements, and especially for the undertaking of work in behalf of the Country Church, reference to which will be made in my report as Secretary of the Commission on the Church and Social Service. Miss Caroline W. Chase, who came to us after a considerable experience in secretarial work in this country and in Turkey, was given general charge of the office. The remainder of the staff has consisted of an Assistant to the Treasurer and from three to five stenographers. The correspondence has increased to large proportions, as might be expected with a constituency of 150,000 churches and pastors, and with the constant issuing of literature, has placed a large burden upon our staff.

A large amount of literature has been accumulated relative to Federation, and allied interests. A library of considerable proportions has been secured; over four hundred magazines and papers are received regularly; and the office is becoming a general bureau of information regarding the interests which it represents.

The call for instructive and guiding literature has been constant and during the year over thirty leaflets and reports have been printed and widely distributed.

SECRETARIAL VISITATION.—The Secretary has visited the Convention of the Disciples of Christ, the Five Year Meeting of the Friends, and, for conference, many other local denominational meetings, and held many conferences with the denominational leaders.

Conferences have been held with the Executive Committees of the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Federations, and the

Annual Meeting of the West Virginia Federation was attended at Fairmont. Twenty cities have been visited distinctively in the interest of Local Federation, in some cases the same city being visited several times.

In addition, there have been many occasional visits to the officers of the Federations in various cities, and conferences have been held with our Committee in Washington, D. C.

MEN AND RELIGION FORWARD MOVEMENT.—The Secretary participated in the Men and Religion Campaign, in some cases conducting the campaign, at Wilkes-Barre and its auxiliary cities; Williamsport; Poughkeepsie; Greensboro, N. C.; York and Pottsville.

In all of these cities, the Movement resulted in Federations, either entirely established or now in process of formation. The Secretary was also called upon to visit ten other cities during the Campaign, to hold conferences, conduct institutes and address meetings.

ADDRESSES.—Addresses have been made at several national gatherings, including the Religious Education Association and the Southern Sociological Congress. Lectures on Federation have been given at Yale Divinity School.

In addition, addresses have been made at Theological Seminaries, Ministers' Meetings, Christian Endeavor Conventions, Young Men's Christian Associations, Sunday afternoon popular gatherings, Men's Leagues, Church Federation meetings, Denominational Conferences, Camp Meetings, Schools of Methods, Student Volunteer Gatherings, and Shop Meetings; the pulpits of several denominations have been occupied and a number of incidental ecclesiastical gatherings attended.

COMMITTEES.—As a representative of the churches, some service has been rendered on Committees of the Religious Education Association, the Executive Committee on Industrial Relations, the Academy of Political and Social Science, the National Conference of Charities and Correction, the Southern Sociological Congress, the Sagamore Conference, the American Association for Labor Legislation, and a number of minor bodies.

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CONSTITUENT BODIES OF THE FEDERAL COUNCIL.—Through secretarial visitation and conferences, the Secretary has had some opportunity of marking progress in the spirit of unity. All of the constituent bodies have increased in loyalty to the common cause. Not only are the federated Communions getting closer together, but there is an increasing sympathy on the part of the others which have not, as yet, united in the Council. Some of the constituent bodies have recently taken definite action in their National Conventions, increasing the points of connection with the Federal Council. This is exemplified by the Social Service Organizations of the various bodies. They have endorsed the Federal Council Program and recommended co-operation in it without, so far as I know, any dissent upon the part of the denominational bodies, all of whom have adopted it.

THE WORK OF CO-ORDINATION AND CORRELATION.—Owing to the fact that the Commission on the Church and Social Service offers special objectives for co-operative action, close work of co-ordination and correlation has come between this body and denominational commissions and other organizations. This procedure, more adequately described in my report as Secretary of the Social Service Commission, includes a Secretarial Cabinet made up of the Social Service Secretaries of the various denominations, all of whom have recently been elected as Associate Secretaries of the Federal Council Commission.

The same procedure may be followed, in varying measure, regarding the other interests which the churches hold in common, especially that of Evangelism. Many letters have come urging that some common ground be reached regarding the proper regulation of evangelistic work. The matter of publicity offers another point of contact. There is immediate need of adequate provision for general publicity, as was so clearly presented by the Commission on Publicity at the Men and Religion Conservation Congress.

There may be important matters upon which the Council will be called upon to take the initiative, in the expression of the consciousness of the Christian Churches, and in creating

common objectives for their work. At the present moment its chief work is that of correlation and co-ordination, getting the churches together, avoiding duplication and removing mutual hindrances. While the Council calls for a certain amount of independent existence with its National Office and its necessary Secretaries, its chief aim for the present should be to utilize and make more effective through co-operation the denominational agencies and individualities now existing and at work, and your Secretary has for this past year considered this the primary task.

This all depends, however, upon the willingness of the denominational bodies, and their leaders, to give some of their time, thought and service to the common work. It is a mutual affair. If a denominational Secretary is giving some of his time at the moment to the interdenominational work represented by the Council, he may remember that, at the same moment, somewhere else a Secretary of another denomination is doing the same thing for the common interest. In this way, no denomination loses by the process, and if it did, the common gain would be far greater than the particular loss.

INTERDENOMINATIONAL MOVEMENTS.—While the Federal Council was not called upon to co-operate officially in the Men and Religion Forward Movement, its natural and unavoidable relationship appeared near the close of the Campaign, when effective conservation was obtained through the continued co-operation of the churches in the various communities, and this meant Federation. Therefore, at the Conservation Congress, the Secretary was called upon to represent the Council, with other denominational and interdenominational organizations which had participated either directly or indirectly in the Campaign.

The Joint Committee of these organizations, at the Congress, requested the Federal Council to act as a clearing-house in calling a conference of the Movements represented, which was held at Silver Bay, June 19-20. The following action was taken by the Conference:

“WHEREAS, The Conference of Denominational and Interdenominational Movements, held at Silver Bay, New York,

June 19 and 20, 1912, having considered the best way to secure the highest degree of efficiency and economy in the work we represent, is confronted by the following conditions:

"1. The need of greater co-operation and better correlation on the part of the Denominational and Interdenominational Organizations and Agencies among themselves and with each other, and

"2. The need of unity in the activities of the local church as related to our various Organizations, as shown by over-lapping of effort, unnecessary multiplication of meetings, and an increasing number of financial appeals, and

"WHEREAS, These conditions tend to produce a lack of efficiency both in our Organizations and in the local church; and,

"WHEREAS, The ultimate object of all these Denominational and Interdenominational Agencies is the upbuilding of the local church in its work of extending the Kingdom of Christ on earth; therefore,

"Be it *Resolved*,

"1. That we recommend the appointment by the Organizations represented in this Conference of a Commission to consider every phase of these problems as related to these agencies and to the local church.

"2. That this Commission consist of one Commissioner from each Organization here represented, the Commission being empowered to add to its number.

"3. That this Commission report its findings to a Conference representing all the Agencies and Organizations concerned, to be called later, at the request of the Commission, by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America."

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"It was

"Voted, That the proposed Commission should be called and organized by the Committee on Arrangements of this Conference, consisting of Charles S. Macfarland, Clarence A. Barbour and Harry Wade Hicks."

The Commission held a preliminary meeting November 15,

with very serious interest upon the part of all the organizations concerned. Its second conference was held December 5, at the La Salle Hotel, Chicago.

Continued conferences relating to common work have been held with representatives of the International Committee of the Young Men's Christian Associations and the National Board of the Young Women's Christian Associations. There is, in connection with these two great organizations, a large chance for co-operative, and, perhaps, affiliated service, and the Secretaries are now at work upon the matter in a very serious spirit.*

There seems to be little doubt but that the existence of the Federal Council is going to make unnecessary the further multiplication of interdenominational movements, and recently there have come a number of requests for conferences, relative to the affiliation of some of the most important of these movements with the Council.

The same thing is true regarding some of the denominational movements which have interdenominational relationships, such as the Brotherhoods, for example. There is to be a Conference between the Brotherhood Secretaries and the Secretary of the Council during the Quadrennial meetings.

It is clear that there is a rapidly increasing disposition to look to the Federal Council for the solution of some of these interrelated problems. In connection with them, requests, either in a formal or an informal way, are often made for conferences of these related organizations. After considerable correspondence, it appeared that the representatives of Theological Seminaries would welcome such a Conference, and by request of the Program Committee, it has been called by the Committee on Literature and Education to precede the Quadrennial Meeting.

An Interdenominational Conference, at which seventeen constituent bodies were represented, was held also at Chicago in November, 1911, on the problem of Social Service and Country Life, and a continuation of this Conference will be held just preceding the Quadrennial Meeting.

*See Page 28.

The Conference of representatives of State and Local Federations, to be held during the two days preceding the Quadrennial, while a voluntary Conference held by the representatives themselves, was initiated by the National Office, upon the request of a large number of representatives of local federations.

STATE AND LOCAL FEDERATIONS.—So far as the more definite work of the Federal Council is concerned, this will be covered in the reports of the Corresponding Secretary, and the District Secretaries.

During the year, Special Field Commissioners were tentatively appointed to co-operate with the Secretary, and maintain the appropriate relation between the Federal Council and the work in different localities, as follows:

Rev. E. P. Ryland, Los Angeles; Rev. P. F. Wigton, Lincoln, Nebraska; Rev. Crayton K. Powell, Denver; Rev. E. Guy Talbott, Los Angeles.

Secretaries, Henry A. Atkinson, Chicago; Samuel Z. Batton, Philadelphia; Frank M. Crouch, New York; Charles Stelzle, New York; Harry F. Ward, Evanston; Warren H. Wilson, New York.

The reports of these Commissioners indicate, on the whole, remarkable progress during the past year, but they voice still more the necessity for wise, effective and efficient supervision over the various federative movements which are taking place.

The work that has been done has not had proper geographical distribution. The South has been largely neglected. The Pacific Coast and the Middle West have had, in the main, only voluntary service, some of which, however, has been very effective.

Special record should be made of the strongly organized and effective Federation at Honolulu, Hawaii, whose Secretary, Paul Super, of the Young Men's Christian Association, visited the office during the summer. Mr. Fred B. Smith and Mr. Raymond Robins will begin their World Men and Religion Campaign with this Federation.

During this year, the Federal Council, aside from the work of the District Secretaries, has been able to do little more than

guide by correspondence, supplemented by such secretarial visitation as the Acting Executive Secretary could give, and yet there is no doubt but what the influence of the National Federation is responsible for the creation of the local organizations.

The state of effectiveness varies. Some of the States and communities are organized with great efficiency; others do little more than exist in name. This is largely dependent upon whether or not some strong personality in the shape of a pastor or a group of pastors, takes the whole situation seriously. One of the most hopeful signs is the effective organization of some of the City Federations with Executive Secretaries.

After a correspondence covering several weeks and involving thousands of letters, the National Office has secured the names of correspondents in all States, cities and towns where Federations exist, so far as information could be obtained, and an earnest endeavor has been made to keep the national work in sympathetic relation with that of Local Federations.

Much correspondence has come to the office, inquiring as to the relationship between State and Local Federations and the Federal Council. There would seem to be no doubt but what the Council is now established on the firmest possible basis, in being made up of representatives of the Denominations, and it would not seem wise to attempt any organic relationship with Local Federations, which would disturb the present sound and effective basis. At the same time, the Federal Council is the initiator and the creator of these Local Federations, and it must assume some responsibility for them. While it may not be possible to bring about any organic or representative relationship, there should be something more than a mere bond of sympathy between the parent and the child.*

Taken as a whole, while the work of Local Federation is not yet in a satisfactory state, it should be said that, during the past year, a large number of Federations have been formed upon an effective basis, and these should ultimately serve as

*See Page 16.

exemplars for other communities until the time shall come when every city and town will have a Council of the Churches of Christ.

The National Office of the Federal Council should have as many Secretaries as it can maintain. Their association should be directly with the National Office, and they should go out at a given time to a given place, whether it be State or local community, according to the needs of the immediate moment. The attempt to organize State and Local Federations should be regulated according to the fruitfulness of the ground, and such Secretaries should be available to respond to the call when it comes from a particular community. This method would bring the support of the Secretaries to the minimum, because when a State or community calls for guidance and direction in this interest, it is usually ready to meet the necessary expense.

There should also be an increased use of the denominational agencies, and here again I must refer to the Commission on the Church and Social Service, in connection with whose work the various Associate Denominational Secretaries act in a given community in the interest of Federation. This procedure might readily apply to the Home Mission Secretaries in the various States and to other men who are strategically placed for an interdenominational work which will not interfere with their denominational activities, but will assist them.

A multitude of forces are making for the federal expression of Christian Unity. A great stimulus was given by the Men and Religion Campaigns. In most communities where the work has been adequately continued, it has been done through a Federation of Churches. So far as we could obtain access to the Men and Religion Committees, this has been taken up and a correspondence has been carried on, amounting to several thousand letters, the number of cities with which correspondence has been conducted being about 900.

Another influence which is making for Federation has, of course, come through the various missionary campaigns like those carried on by the interdenominational missionary move-

ments, and the evangelistic campaigns which by organized federation should become a continuous evangelism.

THE WORK OF EDUCATION.—The fact that we have a great Federal Union of Evangelical Churches of the nation has not yet reached down to the consciousness of the laymen, and, indeed, it is not difficult to find an occasional pastor who has little or no conception as to what the title of the Federal Council means. One of the immediate efforts should be in the interest of education as to what has taken place and as to what is actually taking place.

The Secretary has corresponded with the Theological Seminaries with the request that the students be thoroughly instructed in the principles and the actual accomplishment of Federation, and has received sympathetic response in every case. Requests to visit Theological Seminaries in this interest have been more numerous than he could fulfill. The same teaching should be added to the Schools of Philanthropy and Social Service, so that the social workers who go out into the communities may be helpful in creating objectives for Federation and may know how to use the common and united power of the churches for their own social tasks. Every pastor should give yearly a lecture or a course of lectures describing the entire work of Federation.

Our Field Commissioner, Dr. Ryland, in his report to the Acting Executive Secretary, calls our attention to the Panama Exposition as offering an opportunity for publicity illustrating the united work of the churches, which should receive serious consideration by the Council, and which I hereby embody in this report as a definite recommendation.* This entire educational propaganda is one of the objectives which the Secretary recommends for the coming year and Quadrennial.

A CAMPAIGN FOR PROPAGANDA.—As quickly as possible after this meeting, a Secretary of the Council should make public speaking and conference tours, in the interest of education and of State and City Federation, visiting the strategic centers in the Middle West, the Pacific Coast and the South. They

*See Page 34.

should be effectively arranged. Overtures have come from several important cities indicating that such tours would be productive.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT.—While the Treasurer's Report will indicate the necessities of our work, and the ways in which they have been met, I am adding a word, at his request, because during the past year, the financial campaign has been a distinct responsibility of the Acting Executive Secretary. It is not necessary for the Federal Council to build up a large and expensive piece of machinery, provided the constituent bodies respond to its work and influence in the direction of voluntary co-ordination and mutual service. The work of inspiring and organizing Local Federations is the main item of expense, apart from the support of the National Office. This can be regulated according to the support obtained, the territory being covered as fast as the funds can be secured. A careful and serious effort to induce local and state organizations to meet the expenses of Secretaries for their work would, I believe, be reasonably successful.

If the constituent bodies should meet a moderately increased apportionment and should, in addition, induce the larger and more well-to-do churches to include the Federal Council in their annual budgets, it would not be a difficult task to obtain the remaining amount necessary for special work from individual subscriptions, and special sources. It should be noticed that the two organized Commissions, on Social Service and International Peace, have not only met the expenses of their own work and by it increased an interest in the Council, but have also contributed a surplus to the general budget in addition.

In closing this report, I wish to make grateful acknowledgment that my work has been done under the wise counsel and guidance of Dr. Sanford and with his sympathetic encouragement, to Mr. Wells for his helpful, painstaking service, and to Miss Chase and her associates to whom I cannot render too much praise for earnest, uncomplaining work, often under a pressure made necessary by an all too limited staff of workers, a pressure which I earnestly hope may be relieved during the

coming year. From the Executive Committee and its Business Committee I have received unfailing patience with my limitations.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. MACFARLAND,

Acting Executive Secretary.

Summary of the Reports Received from the Secretary of the Central District

REV. C. E. BACON, D.D.

(Prepared by Rev. Charles S. Macfarland.)

Dr. Bacon served as District Secretary from August 1, 1910, to September 25, 1912, when he retired to assume the pastorate of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Vincennes, Indiana.

Full reports of Dr. Bacon's work appear in the Annual Reports of the Executive Committee for the years 1910 and 1911.

The Central District covered a large territory, including eight States—Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan, with Chicago as the headquarters.

One of the distinctive features of the work in this District was the organization of State Federations and the larger proportion of the States in the District are now more or less effectively organized. The organization of the Illinois Federation was preceded by a well-planned campaign among the State Conferences of the various constituent bodies, practically all of whom sent delegates to the organization meeting.

Wisconsin has been one of the outstanding Federations for a considerable period, and Dr. Bacon spent considerable time in cultivating the fruitfulness which he found there. In January, 1910, one of the most successful and enthusiastic Federation Conferences in recent years was held at Madison, with a unique program, displaying remarkable provision for the work of research. In this State, Rev. H. A. Miner, the Secretary and one of the veteran workers, has been largely responsible for its unusual success. In many ways, Wisconsin has set the pace for aggressive Federation work through State Organizations, for the entire nation.

The reports from Indiana during the summer of 1912 reported the Federation as in good condition and looking hopefully to the future.

Among the City Federations organized, perhaps that in Cleveland has been the most effective, and it is now in charge of an Executive Secretary, and has under way a multitude of important movements in the way of social uplift.

The most recent of the larger City Federations is that at Indianapolis which, immediately upon its organization during the past summer, began a vigorous campaign for civic righteousness.

The situation in Chicago was an extremely difficult one owing to the fact that the Federation had lapsed for a considerable period. Under Dr. Bacon's administration, it has come together with strengthened earnestness. This is evidenced by the ready and cordial invitation that the Quadrennial Council of the Churches of Christ should meet in the city. The painstaking and faithful work of the Local Committee in preparing to entertain this Quadrennial is ample evidence of the upward trend of the Federation Movement in Chicago.

The Federation at St. Louis, while not at the time of the last report including so many of the churches as might be wished, has organized effectively, has an Executive Secretary on full time, a well-equipped office, and its work is under the guidance of a group of laymen who are giving themselves to the cause with great earnestness.

Dr. Bacon rendered a very important service as Chairman of a Committee appointed by the Commission on the Church and Social Service to investigate the industrial warfare at Muscatine, Iowa. His wise judgment, combined with strict truthfulness and accuracy, was of great assistance to the Committee in preparing a fair report on this delicate but important matter.

The work of Dr. Bacon is especially noteworthy because of the fact that he entered upon a territory largely unacquainted with the work of the Federal Council or the meaning and program of Federation. Dr. Bacon, therefore, very wisely prosecuted an earnest campaign of education. His wide visitation at the Annual Meetings of the various Denominations of several States has prepared the way for future development.

Dr. Bacon rendered no little assistance to the Federal Coun-

cil in relation to its financial problems, and both directly and indirectly, especially during the year 1911, he succeeded in bringing assistance at a time when it was very greatly needed.

His work during his term of service in 1912 in making the necessary readjustments preliminary to his retirement, deserves the warmest praise, and the Executive Committee has placed on record its deep appreciation of the valuable service which he has rendered the Federal Council in developing one of its most difficult fields of work.

Report of the District Secretary of the Eastern District

REV. HUGH B. MACCAULEY, D.D.

I began my work as District Secretary of the Eastern District on June 1, 1910, and continued until October 1, 1912, at which time my connection was terminated on account of financial reasons.

I. FIELD WORK.—The first and most important part of my work has been the actual visits to the States, the counties and the cities of the Eastern District, which extends from Maine to West Virginia. From June 1, 1910, to Jan. 1, 1912, I was, on account of the financial conditions, giving a part of my time to the work, but after Jan. 1, 1912, I was working for the Federal Council on full time.

The first three months was spent in visiting all parts of my field, becoming acquainted with the leaders, and sowing the seed of Federation and Christian Unity. By the end of that year I was able to report the actual and hearty organization of the Federations of WEST VIRGINIA and VERMONT and shortly after of NEW JERSEY and PENNSYLVANIA. Each of these has an Executive Secretary, under salary, with a programme of work going on. It takes some months to make the proper preparations for forming a State Federation. It must positively be known that the convention will be well attended and be a success.

The next six months was spent in federating the counties of New Jersey, and in raising the interest of the ministers and churches in the other states in my district. There are now sixteen out of twenty-one counties, organized, with complete equipment of officers, and more or less effective programmes of work. The best part of that Autumn was spent in preparing for new legislation on morals, to be presented on the convening of the legislature, and also preparing more completely for formation of federations in the other States, and for county work in Pennsylvania. The result of this move was

a great increase of enthusiasm in Federation, and the organization of the counties in Pennsylvania.

Besides this I have organized all the large cities in New Jersey, the principal cities in Vermont, several of the large cities of Pennsylvania, besides Baltimore and Cleveland, the latter at the request of Mr. Louis H. Severance. All the large cities have Executive Secretaries and definite programmes of work.

During the last eight months in 1912 the principal work has been done in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, stimulating the counties to do their work, and securing \$500 from each, to assist the Federal Council in defraying the salary of the Secretary, which has been accomplished. Several of the Federations have had great success. Baltimore has taken up its great work vigorously; Philadelphia has made great preparations for new work; the Altoona and Blair County Federation has just passed its first year of vigorous life.

The Pennsylvania Federation will present to the coming legislature three requests for new acts, as follows:

- (1) An improved law pertaining to marriage and divorce.
- (2) Regulation of attendance of children under sixteen years of age at dance halls and other public shows and places.
- (3) Censorship of public exhibitions.

The New Jersey Federation got through the Legislature a new act prohibiting the attendance of children under sixteen years of age at theatres and moving picture shows, and under eighteen years at dance halls, unless accompanied by parent or legal guardian. The Federation assisted in getting passed the new act providing for the minimum working day of ten hours for women; helped to kill Sunday baseball bills; co-operated at the local option hearing; has proposals to be presented at the next legislature on the following subjects:

- (1) New temperance and excise laws.
- (2) A uniform law for marriage and divorce.
- (3) A law for a better method of selecting grand and petit juries.

The Trenton Federation has just started its seventh year of continuous forceful life. It includes thirty-five Protestant

churches in Trenton, with a membership of about 12,000 souls. It supports a city missionary on salary, with central office and complete modern equipment. This office is the charity bureau for Trenton, where a complete system of charity is operated. Its Sunday Observance Committee has prevented many Sunday desecrations. The Temperance Committee presented a new excise code to the city commissioners, which is about to be adopted, and has waged such an excise fight that the commissioners have announced as a new policy that they will grant no more new licenses until the rate of one to five hundred persons has been reached. The Social Purity Committee lately asked the grand jury to indict the directors of the Inter-State Fair for allowing gambling and improper shows on the midway. As a result the management has promised to omit the midway altogether next year. The Evangelistic Committee carried on outdoor services every Sunday evening on the State House steps, from June 23d to September 8th, and for the same period on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights, using the auto for street preaching. All the pastors took their turns. The autos were loaned by various owners. About 120 gospel addresses were made in the presence of about 12,000 persons. The expense of these efforts was only seven dollars.

II. PRINCIPLES ON COMITY AND CO-OPERATION.—One of the greatest evils of our modern church work has been the over-churching of some communities, the overlooking of others and the multiplication of unattached missions. Principles have been drawn up for the guidance of the churches and have been approved by the State Councils of Vermont, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and West Virginia, as follows:

Recognizing the evident desire of the evangelical Denominations of the State to do more efficient work for their common Lord;

Believing that the Holy Spirit is leading Christians of the various communions toward practical comity and co-operation;

Rejoicing in the progress already made in this direction, and

Acting in an advisory capacity, but in that only, toward the churches of the State;

The State Council of the Inter-Church Federation makes the following statement of its earnest convictions regarding such comity and co-operation and of the principles which should govern in effecting the same, to wit:

Section 1. That the churches of the various Denominational or Church Bodies in the several counties of the State, and also those in the larger cities ought to co-operate in their several localities in accordance with the aims and plans of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, and should organize for this purpose as Inter-Church Federations, to be local branches of the State Federation and of the Federal Council.

Section 2. That as one feature of comity and co-operation, church extension into communities believed to be without adequate religious privileges should be conducted as far as practicable, by all the Denominations in harmony with the following principles:

(1) A community in which work is already established by one or more Denominations, should not be entered by another Denomination for the establishment of new work until conference has been first had with the proper representatives of those already located there, for the purpose of mutual information, advice, and, if possible, agreement.

(2) A feeble church should be revived, if possible, rather than a new one be established to become a rival.

(3) When the numbers of the community or particular race of constituency sought, do not justify more than one new enterprise, the preference of the majority of the community as to the particular Denomination desired should be regarded by Denominational committees, missionary agents, and individuals.

(4) Other things being equal, that Denomination having a church nearest to a needy field is in the most advantageous position to encourage and aid a new enterprise in the vicinity.

(5) Temporary suspension of church work in any field by a Denomination should not be deemed sufficient warrant in itself for the entrance into that field of another Denomination. But suspension should be deemed abandonment if there has been

no preaching or other meetings regularly held for an entire year or more.

(6) In all communities where there are two or more churches of different Denominations, each receiving missionary aid and without reasonable prospect of self-support, such churches and also the proper missionary or ecclesiastical authorities aiding or controlling them, should confer with a view to a possible union, or federation, so that the community might have a larger and more efficient church, and that missionary force and funds might be saved for use in really destitute fields. The same policy should be followed in communities where there are a number of churches with small constituencies and inadequate support, even if missionary aid is not received. Also there should be raised, in such communities, the question whether a plan of precedence of assignment might not be agreed upon by the church authorities concerned, whereby the right of way might be granted to one denomination in one locality, to be equalized by grants in other localities to other denominations.

(7) In large cities, or throughout a county, where the work among the immigrants or foreign-speaking peoples, or a particular race, presents a great problem, there should be a conference between the local Inter-Church Federation and the Church Extension Committees having jurisdiction, for the purpose of devising a plan to be common to all, whereby it should be decided before missions are established, whether there should be an assignment of territory to particular Denominations, or whether it be necessary to have Inter-Church control.

(8) There should be investigation of the question, particularly in overchurched communities, whether one of the church edifices or other suitable building might not be used in common for social and other community purposes. Such church building might continue to be under its proper Denominational oversight during such communal use.

(9) Questions of the interpretation of these principles of friction between denominations in the matters covered by them may be appropriately referred to the Comity Committee of the State Federation or one of the local Federations, which is

empowered to advise and assist in effecting co-operation among the churches. Such Comity Committees might include some representatives of Church Extension Committees of the various Denominations federated.

III. BY-LAWS FOR FEDERATIONS.—No little time has been spent upon the preparation of suitable By-Laws for State and local federations, so as to provide uniformity and permanency among the sister federations. These new codes were first argued out and adopted by the four State Federations named and by many County and City federations, and then presented to your Executive Committee and adopted as Standard for use.

IV. CO-OPERATING ORGANIZATIONS.—Much conference has been had with the organizations doing social service work, with a view to prevent overlapping, friction and waste. Much needs to be done. Some of the federations have formed agreements for such co-operation with the State Y. M. C. A., the Y. M. C. A., the Lord's Day Alliance, the Children's Home Society, etc. The problem of effective, economical and harmonious adjustment will never be solved until the authorities of church and State take hold of this matter.

V. IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS.—In closing I submit some important decisions or inferences for the consideration of newly formed Federations, to wit:

1. A Federation must be composed of delegates, the pastor and a layman, chosen by each church authority or Board assembled for business.

2. The organization of the Federal Council and correspondingly of every State and Local Federation is a great achievement in Christian Unity.

3. Some arrangement must be made by every new Federation to finance its programme of work.

4. Every Federation should take up these necessary works, to wit:

- (1) Comity; to prevent overlapping of churches and overlooking of fields.

- (2) Public Morals; including Sabbath Observance, Temperance and Purity.

- (3) Social Service; including Charities and Correction, child welfare, woman's work, industrial relations.
 - (4) Civic Righteousness; including education in morals, and patriotism.
 - (5) Evangelistic Visitation, from door to door and outdoor preaching on the street corner.
 - (6) Work among Boys and Men; so as to develop their talents and keep up their interest in the church.
5. In a large city, there must be formed in every large district the Local Branch of the Federation, so as to cover the whole field of the city, and in each district, each church must be assigned to a definite plot, so as to localize responsibility and help.
6. The interest of the supervising judiciary must be sustained by reports from the Federation and by election of the Denominational Vice-President of the Council.
7. The District Secretary should be expected to visit the State and local federations constantly, so as to stimulate, encourage and greet them.

Respectfully submitted,
HUGH B. MACCAULEY,
District Secretary to Oct. 1, '12.

The Work of the Western District.

REV. JOHN T. THOMAS, JR.

SECRETARY OF THE WESTERN DISTRICT,

Jan. 1 to Dec. 1, 1910.

(Prepared by Rev. E. B. Sanford.)

At the annual meeting of the Executive Committee held in Louisville, Ky., December, 1909, action was taken extending an invitation to the Rev. John T. Thomas, Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Pueblo, Colorado, to become superintendent of the Western District, with headquarters at Denver. Dr. Thomas did effective work in this relation from the first of January until the first of December, 1910, when the illness in his family compelled him to retire. His genial presence and ability as a platform speaker made him a welcome visitor in State Assemblies and Conferences, all over the vast area which comprised his District. As the result of the labors of the eleven months in which he worked in his field, he did much to bring to the attention of the churches the practical need for the federation and co-operation of Christian forces, in what is especially known as the Rocky Mountain region. The meaning of the federal principle was made clear in these States as actually applied in inter-Church activities. Centres of influence were established, and voluntary workers enlisted to promote the cause of Church federation, and advocate the principles of comity and co-operation in meeting the spiritual needs of every community. Dr. Thomas did a great work of seed sowing, that aided in making more helpful the plans and conferences that during the past two years, have so effectively been undertaken by the Home Missions Council in that part of the nation West of Texas and the Missouri river,

The Work of the Research Secretary

For a considerable portion of the Quadrennium, Mr. Wells rendered faithful service, as Research Secretary, and from Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1912, as Assistant to the Executive Secretary. Full reports of his work are printed in the Reports of the Executive Committee for 1910 and 1911, and on Oct. 1 he retired to give his service to literary and survey work in the interest of his chosen field, the Country Church and Rural Life, with the esteem and gratitude of the Executive Committee and his associates.

CHARLES S. MACFARLAND.

Report of the Research Secretary

REV. G. FREDERICK WELLS.

My services for the Federal Council began Jan. 1, 1910, and terminated Oct. 1, 1912. The first item of this service was that of preparing the statistics of the Colorado Survey, made by Rev. O. F. Gardner, for publication by the Home Missions Committee. The research work on the Porto Rico chapters in the Mission Study text-book, "Advance in the Antilles," was done for the Rev. H. B. Grose, D.D. Early in the year a state-wide Home Missions Conservation Survey of Vermont was completed for the Inter-Church Federation of that State. Previous to June 1, 1910, in co-operation with the New York State Federation of Churches a campaign was well started for raising \$1,000 for a Rural Church Conservation Survey of New York State. This was placed in the hands of the Eastern District Secretary upon his election.

A descriptive catalogue of more than 200 state and local organizations of Church Federation and Union was made during the summer of 1910. This has been developed during the past season into a complete directory of the Church Federations in the United States, which is now ready for publication.

The exhaustive bibliographies and files of literature on Country Church, Church Federation and Church Union prob-

lems which were made while Research Secretary of the Vermont Inter-Church Commission, were transferred for use to the Federal Council office. More than 500 cases requiring special researches for the national office, the district secretaries, and the state and local federations have been cared for within the past three years. About 1,000 information cases were also handled. In the fall of 1910 a brief preliminary survey of conditions in Philadelphia calling for Church Federation work was made for the Eastern District Secretary.

In 1911 aside from attending to the informational work of the national office, and assisting in general administration, the larger part of the spring was spent in the financial campaign of the Council, office management in transferring the office from 82 Bible House, and conducting the Labor Sunday campaign.

During my term of service for the Federal Council 39 articles relating to Church Federation and Country Life were published. This does not include the writing of three pamphlets, "State Plans for Co-operation Among the Evangelical Churches," "A Social Survey for Rural Communities," "How to Organize a Church Federation," and four Federal Council bulletins of which 35,000 copies were published and distributed.

For more than a year I served as clerk of the Social Service Commission.

All of the present card catalogues, directories and files at the national office have been worked out under my general supervision.

Church and Country Life addresses have been given under the following auspices: The New England Country Church Association, the Interdenominational Commission of New Hampshire, the Pennsylvania Rural Progress Association, County Work Department of the Y. M. C. A., Drew Theological Seminary, the Christian Association of Cornell University, Farmer's Week of the State Agricultural College of New York, the Playground and Recreation Association of America, the Country Church Commission of the Moravian Church, the Country Church Commission of the Methodist

Federation for Social Service, and at local institutes and conferences.

Aside from completing the Church Federation Directory, preparing a Bibliography on Church Work for Immigrants, forming a social classification of nearly 300 religious and social service organizations, and conducting during the summer the correspondence of the national office relative to promoting local federations, my work in 1912 has largely been that of promoting country church interests.

The following items of Church and Country Life Work have been accomplished:

Two bulletins of inquiry have been prepared and sent, the second to a directory of 2,000 addresses of persons or agencies especially interested in rural religious betterments.

A program of the most needed services in behalf of country life by the federated denominations of America has been prepared.

Country Church Commissions have been organized in the Methodist Episcopal and the Moravian Churches, and branch committees have been organized in conferences and associations of other denominations.

A report on the literature of the Church and Country Life movement has been prepared and published by the Men and Religion Forward Movement. An annotated list of the best books on Church and Country Life subjects has also been prepared for publication.

A report has been made upon the progress of the Rural Church Movement in the United States, and of a practical program of community service by country churches. (See the Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, March, 1912.)

In co-operation with the Playground and Recreation Association of America a report has been made upon the instances and results of the leadership of country pastors in community recreations.

In co-operation with the Department of Education of Ohio State University a report has been made upon the needed

standards and equipments in the education of ministers for service in rural churches.

In co-operation with the Pennsylvania Rural Progress Association a report has been made upon the methods and status of rural social survey work in the United States.

In co-operation with the Survey Magazine an investigation has been made of the conditions now existing, especially among the religious organizations, which favor and call for a National Bureau or Commission on Country Life.

GEORGE FREDERICK WELLS.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Income and Expenses for the Quadrennium

Expenses for Years—		1909	1910	1911	1912
For the deficiency of the National Federation of Churches and Christian Workers assumed by the Federal Council on Jan. 1, 1909,		\$3,028 25			
Cost of the Book of Proceedings of the meeting of the Federal Council in Philadelphia beyond the amount of subscriptions for the book,		1,417 81	\$5,200 00	\$8,166 67	\$8,187 50
Administration,		5,833 33	780 00	1,695 42	3,185 21
Stenographers and typewriting,		901 34			950 04
Rent,		479 50	522 00	871 69	
Office expenses,		247 87	159 55	621 20	3,153 51
Telephone and telegraph,		72 00	70 09	142 66	365 41
Postage,		230 12	267 20	567 85	2,980 93
Incidentals, .....		.....	.....	125 21	254 09
Traveling,		852 70	458 29	896 32	1,860 05
Printing,		382 58	321 05	889 46	3,183 31
Printing annual report, .....		.....	203 46	211 27	305 89
Furniture and office fittings,		64 00	.....	917 23	195 20
Library, .....		.....	.....	540 58	991 66
Interest, .....		.....	.....	63 03	306 16
Western District (Denver office),		568 93	3,678 74	.....	.....
Central District (Chicago office), .....		.....	2,277 41	5,753 60	3,095 94
Eastern District, .....		.....	1,492 65	2,643 43	1,697 13
Com. on Social Service, Expenses Outside the Office, .....		.....	610 72	.....	.....
Peace Commission, Salary of Secretary, .....		.....	.....	.....	2,000 00
Total,		\$14,078 43	\$16,041 16	\$24,105 62	\$33,312 03
Income for Years—		1909	1910	1911	1912
From Denominations,		\$9,180 89	\$11,153 85	\$12,218 58	\$14,586 42
From Churches,		405 00	317 00	610 00	1,330 79
From Individuals,		4,195 00	2,836 00	5,302 06	18,404 16
For Social Service Library, .....		.....	.....	476 00	875 00
For Literature and Office Services,		34 50	35 86	332 12	620 99
For Personal Services, C. S. Macfarland, .....		.....	.....	.....	408 19
For Personal Services, G. Frederick Wells, .....		.....	.....	.....	137 10
For Personal Services, Charles E. Bacon, .....		.....	.....	.....	54 00

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Denominational Payments—	1909	1910	1911	1912
Baptist Churches, North, .....	.....	\$1,200 00	\$1,200 00	\$2,100 00
National Baptist Convention, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Free Baptists,	\$150 00	100 00	71 00	71 00
Christian Church,	50 00	50 00	81 60	88 00
Congregational Churches,	1,038 11	763 35	745 00	742 00
Congregational Methodist Churches, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Disciples of Christ,	106 75	1,250 00	724 98	701 25
German Evangelical Synod of N. A.,	50 00	200 00	200 00	200 00
Evangelical Association,	200 00	100 00	109 00	110 00
General Synod of the Lutheran Church, .....	.....	500 00	303 00	303 00
Mennonite Church, .....	.....	100 00	30 00	20 00
Methodist Episcopal Church,	2,000 00	2,000 00	3,000 00	5,166 67
Methodist Episcopal Church, South,	1,617 03	1,700 00	1,833 00	1,893 00
African Methodist Episcopal Church,	600 00	400 00	500 00	621 00
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church,	100 00	100 00	100 00	.....
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in America, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Methodist Protestant Church, .....	.....	.....	100 00	.....
Primitive Methodist Church, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Moravian Church,	50 00	50 00	18 00	19 00
Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.,	1,700 00	1,412 50	1,350 00	1,350 00
Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (Southern), .....	.....	28 00	.....	.....
Protestant Episcopal Church, .....	.....	.....	799 50	.....
Reformed Church in America,	250 00	150 00	117 00	118 00
Reformed Church in the U. S.,	100 00	200 00	298 00	300 00
Reformed Episcopal Church, .....	.....	100 00	10 00	25 00
Reformed Presbyterian,	50 00	50 00	10 00	10 00
Seventh Day Baptist,	69 00	50 00	10 50	17 50
Society of Friends,	200 00	.....	100 00	100 00
United Brethren Church,	500 00	300 00	284 00	400 00
United Evangelical Church, .....	.....	200 00	74 00	75 00
United Presbyterian Church,	350 00	150 00	136 00	137 00
Welsh Presbyterian Church, .....	.....	.....	14 00	19 00
Total,	\$9,180 89	\$11,153 85	\$12,218 58	\$14,586 42

NOTE.—The Protestant Episcopal payment in 1911 was from their Commissions on Social Service and Church Unity. Apportionment for their other years has been covered by special subscriptions.

Summary of Four Years

<i>Expenses.</i>		
1909,	\$14,078	43
1910,	16,041	16
1911,	24,105	62
1912,	33,312	03
Four years, total expenses,		<hr/> \$87,537 24
<i>Income.</i>		
1909,	\$13,815	39
1910,	14,342	71
1911,	18,938	82
1912,	36,416	65
		<hr/> \$83,513 57
Deficit,		<hr/> \$4,023 67

Assets

Against this deficit there are assets in the form of unpaid but guaranteed subscriptions, denominational and individual, amounting to about \$1,500.

This will make the actual deficit about \$2,500, and as the deficit taken over four years ago from the National Federation of Churches was \$3,000, there is satisfaction in knowing that the income of the four years has paid four years' expenses.

Permanent Fund

In addition to this, we have a gift of \$1,000 from Mrs. D. Willis James, which is a further asset, but she desires that it be kept as the commencement of a Permanent Fund for Working Capital or Endowment.

The Treasurer's Report shows a continuing gain in each succeeding year of the Quadrennium, in contributions from the constituent denominations and individuals.

Steady progress has been made in securing new friends and regular subscribers for all departments of the work demanded of the Federal Council.

The attitude of the denominations toward the payment of regular apportionments has been most gratifying. There have been some suggestions as to change in the basis of apportionment, but no objections to the principle, and where de-

nominations have not fully met their share it has largely been because they had no general fund to draw upon.

Each year since the formation of the Federal Council there has been manifested, particularly in the annual meetings of the Executive Committee a growing feeling of satisfaction and delight at this association of so many denominations for united work, as well as a uniform ambition on the part of each to bear their full share of expenses.

The accounts for the four years have been duly audited by a certified accountant.

ALFRED R. KIMBALL,
Treasurer.

Conferences

under the auspices of the

Federal Council Commission

on the

Church and Social Service

Hotel LaSalle, Chicago, December 3rd and 4th, 1912.

A series of four Social Service conferences, under the auspices of the Federal Council Commission on the Church and Social Service, was held December 3d and 4th, preceding the Quadrennial Meeting of the Federal Council. The conferences were attended by some sixty delegates representing twenty-two communions and their social service agencies. The Rev. Charles Stelzle, Superintendent of the Presbyterian Bureau of Social Service, presided in the absence of Rev. Frank Mason North, Chairman of the Commission, and the Rev. F. M. Crouch, Secretary of the Protestant Episcopal Joint Commission on Social Service, acted as recording secretary.

The opening conference was devoted to brief reports from delegates from the various social service agencies, including the Christian Church, the Reformed Church in America, the Disciples of Christ, the Protestant Episcopal Joint Commission on Social Service, the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Moravian Church, the Presbyterian Church, the Presbyterian Church, South, the Reformed Church in the United States, the Seventh Day Baptists, the United Brethren in Christ, the Congregational Church, the Society of Friends, and the National Board of the Young Women's Christian Associations. These reports showed active work already begun by the majority of these communions and agencies and a desire for service on the part of the others; they registered distinct progress in effective organization for social service by the various Christian bodies of America since the last interdenominational conference in November, 1911.

The remaining three sessions were devoted to the consideration of "The Nature and Phases of the Social Problem,"

"Methods of Social Service," and "The Relations Between the Federal Council Commission and the Denominational Commissions." Chief interest centered about the problem of the rural community and of the immigrant, the training of the theological students for effective social service, and practical co-operation in propaganda between the Federal Council Commission and the denominational commissions and publishing agencies.

The most encouraging feature of the conferences was perhaps the animated participation of representatives of various theological seminaries in the discussion of how best to prepare candidates for the Christian ministry for the genuine and effective service of society. In the words of one speaker, the seminaries are moving into a larger room. Though a recent investigation has shown that only eighteen or twenty seminaries throughout the land have thus far really attempted to equip their students for social service, a new spirit is beginning to grip all the theological schools. The old scholasticism is giving place to a fresh and vital interest on the part of faculty and students in the real problems of our contemporary social order, involving the examination of social facts and their interpretation in the form of a working social philosophy, which shall at the same time be truly Christian. As a means of stimulating candidates for the ministry to a study of society, social service scholarships were recommended. Throughout this entire discussion, in fact, it was recognized that, although the minister must not lose his function of prophet, his function of social engineer must also be emphasized.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Baptist Church, North—

Rev. Samuel Z. Batten
Prof. C. J. Galpin
Rev. George T. Webb

Christian Church—

Rev. O. W. Powers
Rev. W. J. Young

Congregational Churches—

Rev. William T. McElveen
Prof. Graham Taylor

Disciples of Christ—

O. F. Jordan
Rev. F. E. Lumley
Rev. J. H. Mohorter
H. H. Peters
Prof. Alva W. Taylor

<i>Evangelical Association—</i>	G. B. St. John
J. J. Arnold	Rev. Charles Stelzle
Rev. Charles B. Bowman	<i>Presbyterian Church, South—</i>
	Rev. Henry H. Sweets
<i>German Evangelical Synod of North America—</i>	<i>Reformed Church in America—</i>
Rev. Julius Kircher	Elder H. Stuit
Rev. Alfred E. Meyer	Rev. John Albert Thurston
<i>Joint Commission on Social Service of the Protestant Episcopal Church—</i>	<i>Reformed Church in the U. S.—</i>
Rev. F. M. Crouch	Rev. C. E. Schaeffer
John M. Glenn	<i>Reformed Episcopal Church—</i>
Rev. J. H. Melish	Bishop Samuel Fallows
<i>Lutheran Church—</i>	<i>Seventh Day Baptist—</i>
Rev. Thomas Dornblaser	George W. Post, M.D.
C. J. Driever	Rev. A. E. Webster
Rev. Frank C. Oberly	<i>Society of Friends—</i>
<i>Mennonite Church—</i>	Prof. Clarence M. Case
Rev. S. K. Mosiman	Prof. Elbert Russell
	Charles E. Tebbetts
<i>Methodist Episcopal Church—</i>	<i>United Brethren in Christ—</i>
Bishop F. J. McConnell	Rev. W. G. Clippinger
Rev. N. W. Stroup	F. P. Geib
Rev. Harry F. Ward	<i>United Presbyterian—</i>
Rev. B. C. Wolf	Hon. Mackenzie Cleland
<i>Methodist Episcopal Church, South—</i>	Rev. J. H. Gibson
Charles C. Stoll	Rev. Curtis Stevenson
<i>Methodist Protestant—</i>	Rev. E. B. Stewart
Rev. H. L. Elderdice	<i>International Committee Y. M. C. A.</i>
<i>Moravian Church—</i>	Rev. R. H. Edwards
Rev. Edmund deS. Brunner.	H. S. Elliott
Rev. Alfred deGroot Vogler.	<i>National Board Y. W. C. A.—</i>
<i>Presbyterian Church—</i>	Miss Louise Holmquist
Rev. Edgar P. Hill	Miss Florence Simms

Thomas A. Chard, New York City.

Orrin Giddings Cocks, N. Y. Federation of Churches.

Pres. Boothe Colwell Davis, Alfred University, Alfred, N. Y.

Rev. William E. Lampe, Reformed Church in the U. S.

William B. Patterson, Executive Secretary of Commission on Social Service; Inter-Church Federation, Philadelphia.

E. G. Routzahn, Department of Surveys and Exhibits, Russell Sage Foundation.

Oliver R. Williamson, Managing Editor of "The Continent," Chicago.

Rev. F. P. Wigton, Lincoln, Nebraska.

A large number of men and women, not enrolled as delegates, attended the Conferences.

(Signed) FRANK M. CROUCH,
Recording Secretary.

Conference of Representatives of Theological Seminaries,

under the direction

of the

Federal Council's Committee on Literature and Education,

Chicago, December 3 and 4, 1912

The first session of the conference of Theological Seminaries convened in the La Salle Hotel, Chicago, 10.00 A. M., December 3d.

The exercises were opened by prayer by President William McKibbin, of Lane Theological Seminary. The Chairman of the Federal Council Committee on Literature and Education, President George B. Stewart, of Auburn, stated the object of the conference and President H. L. Elderdice of the Westminster Theological Seminary, Maryland, was elected Secretary.

The following delegates and corresponding members were in attendance upon the Conference:

DELEGATES.

Professor Eugene W. Lyman, Bangor Theological Seminary, Bangor, Maine.

Professor Charles M. Sharpe, The Disciples Divinity House, Chicago.

President H. J. Christman, Central Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the U. S., Dayton, Ohio.

President Frederick D. Kershner, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth.

Rev. Charles S. Macfarland, Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Connecticut.

Rev. Alexander S. Taylor, Reformed Episcopal Theological Seminary of Philadelphia.

Professor Solon C. Bronson, Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Illinois.

- President R. F. Weidner, The Theological Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, Maywood, Illinois.
- Professor W. C. Morro, Department of Ministerial Education, Butler College, Indianapolis.
- Professor Silas Jones, Eureka College, Eureka, Illinois.
- Professor E. E. Boyer, Eureka College, Eureka, Illinois.
- President William McKibbin, Lane Theological Seminary, Cincinnati, O.
- Professor Walter Rauschenbusch, Rochester Theological Seminary, Rochester, N. Y.
- President Harris Franklin Rall, The Iliff School of Theology, Denver, Colorado.
- Dean William C. DeWitt, Western Theological Seminary, Chicago.
- Professor M. B. Stewart, General Theological Seminary of New York.
- President J. P. Landis, Bonebrake Theological Seminary, Dayton, O.
- Professor Charles F. Wishart, The Allegheny Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- Dean William H. Allison, Colgate Theological Seminary, Hamilton, N. Y.
- President S. K. Mosiman, Central Mennonite College, Bluffton, O.
- Professor J. W. Kliever, Mennonite College, Newton, Kansas.
- Rt. Rev. Morris W. Leibert, (Moravian) New York.
- Rev. C. Arthur Meilicke, (Moravian) Grand Rapids, Wisconsin.
- President R. B. Peery, Western Theological Seminary, Atchison, Kansas.
- Dean W. F. Tillett, Biblical Department, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.
- Dean J. Allen Bynoe, The Theological Department, Campbell College, Jackson, Mississippi.
- President Ozora Stearns Davis, Chicago Theological Seminary, Chicago.
- Rt. Rev. William Walter Webb, Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown, Conn.
- Professor Benjamin Lewis Hobson, McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago.
- Professor James A. Kelso, The Western Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh, Pa.
- Rev. J. E. McCulloch, American Interchurch College, Nashville, Tenn.
- Dean Arthur E. Main, Alfred Theological Seminary, Alfred, New York.
- President B. C. Davis, Alfred University, Alfred, New York.
- Professor F. W. Loetscher, The Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church, Princeton, N. J.
- President Hugh Latimer Elderdice, The Westminster Theological Seminary, Westminster, Maryland.
- President Warren H. Landon, San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, California.
- Professor W. O. Carver, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

- Professor C. S. Gardner, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.
- Rev. George W. Richards, The Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the U. S., Lancaster, Pa.
- Professor Edward P. Johnson, Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in America, New Brunswick, N. J.
- Professor Thomas C. Hall, Union Theological Seminary, New York.
- Professor Walter L. Lingle, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va.
- Professor S. J. Gamertsfelder, Evangelical Theological Seminary, Naperville, Ill.
- President George B. Stewart, Auburn Theological Seminary, Auburn, N. Y.
- Dean Shailer Mathews, The Divinity School of the University of Chicago, Chicago.
- President Charles E. Underwood, Eureka College, Eureka, Illinois.
- Professor J. W. Beardslee, Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in America, Holland, Michigan.
- Professor Theodore F. Herman, Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the U. S., Lancaster, Pa.
- President S. E. Idleman, Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Professor T. Verner Moore, San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, California.
- Professor S. D. Press, Eden Seminary, St. Louis, Mo.
- Professor Arnold W. Fismer, German Theological School of Newark, Bloomfield, New Jersey.
- Professor A. W. Taylor, Bible College of the University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri.
- Rev. Samuel Martin Gibson, Reformed Episcopal Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Pa.
- President T. E. Cramblet, Bethany College, Bethany, West Virginia.
- Professor A. E. Dahlman, German English Theological Seminary, Sheboygan, Wisconsin.
- Professor Graham Taylor, Chicago Theological Seminary, Chicago.
- Professor Cleland B. McAfee, McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

- President F. C. Lumley, College of Missions, Indianapolis.
- Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, Reading, Pennsylvania.
- Rev. J. Wilson Cochran, Secretary Board of Education of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., Philadelphia, Pa.
- President James D. Moffat, Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pennsylvania.

The following Program was presented by Dr. Macfarland of the Committee on Arrangements:

I. The Co-ordination of the College Curriculum and the Seminary Curriculum.

1. Wherein does the College now fail to provide adequate preparation for the Seminary curriculum?
2. What is an ideal preparation for the Seminary curriculum?
3. Wherein can the elective system in College be made to work to the advantage of the Seminary?
4. What can the Seminary do to lead the College to reckon with the Seminary in the organization of its curriculum?
5. What remedies has the Seminary for defective College preparation for its work?
6. What place in the Seminary is to be given to the non-College man?

II. The Proper Balance Between the Purely Intellectual Disciplines and the Distinctly Practical Ones.

1. Is the distinction a legitimate one?
2. Is the new emphasis upon the practical disciplines adapted to produce ministers better fitted for their work?
3. What is a fair proportion for each in the division of time in the schedule?
4. Is it desirable to supplement the work of the Faculty with instruction by men from the field, as is done in medical and law schools?

III. The Training of the Ministry for Social Service.

1. Should the Seminary recognize that there is a "city problem," an "industrial community problem," a "country church problem," and seek to prepare its students for their solutions?
2. What place should Sociology have in its curriculum?
3. What are the best methods for training ministers for social service?
4. How far should the Seminary make use of clinical methods in training for social service?
5. What are the best clinical methods?
6. What training in social survey work is possible?

IV. The Standardization of the Seminary Curriculum.

1. In what respects is it desirable that the curricula of the seminaries should be standardized?
2. In what respects is this practicable to-day?

3. What are the difficulties in the way of its accomplishment, and to what extent are they removable?
4. What are the forces that have brought about the present diversity in the curricula?
5. Is further diversification desirable in order to provide for the training of social and other Christian workers?
6. What power has the seminary to correct the evils existing to-day in the diversified curricula?
7. What scheme of exchange of professors, if any, would be practicable?

V. The Informing Purpose of the Seminary.

1. Is the mission of the seminary to teach the theological disciplines or to prepare men for the practice of a profession?
2. Wherein will the answer to this question materially affect the organization of the curriculum?
3. Wherein will the answer to this question have a significant effect upon the presentation of the material and the method of the seminary?
4. Wherein will the answer to this question affect the attitude of the student toward his work?
5. Wherein will the answer to this question affect the spiritual life of the Seminary?
6. Wherein will the answer to this question create the interdenominational spirit among the students?

VI. The Function of the Seminary in the Training of Preachers.

1. What should be the emphasis upon the homiletical work of the seminary?
2. Is class-room preaching a vital method?
3. How far should preaching by students be encouraged?
4. How far should students be encouraged to make an inductive study of the preachers of this age?
5. How far should there be instruction in the art of writing?
6. How far should there be instruction in the art of speaking?

After roll call, a motion prevailed to adopt the Program published by the Committee on Literature and Education. It was decided to discuss the first two topics assigned, allowing one hour for each; and that the second sub-topic be first discussed. Accordingly, the conference, limiting the speakers to five minutes each, proceeded to discuss the following sub-

ject: "What is the ideal preparation for the Seminary Curriculum?"

The following persons participated in the discussion: Messrs. Hall of Union, Webb of Berkeley Divinity School, Landon of San Francisco Theological Seminary, Allison of Colgate Theological Seminary, Main of Alfred Theological Seminary, Richards of the Reformed Church Seminary at Lancaster, Stewart of Auburn Theological Seminary, Herman of the Reformed Church Seminary at Lancaster, Stewart of the General Western Theological Seminary, Hobson of McCormick Theological Seminary, Kelso of The Western Theological Seminary at Pittsburgh, Wishart of the Allegheny Theological School, Moore of San Francisco Theological Seminary, and McKibbin of Lane Theological Seminary.

The conference proceeded to discuss the Second Topic: "The Proper Balance Between the Purely Intellectual Disciplines and the Distinctly Practical Ones." The speakers were Messrs. Allison of Colgate, Stewart of the General Western Theological Seminary, Loetscher of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church at Princeton, Hall of Union, Rall of Iliff, Macfarland of Yale, Stewart of Auburn, McKibbin of Lane, and Landon of San Francisco.

After prayer by Dr. Main of Alfred, a motion prevailed to adjourn.

Afternoon Session.

Conference convened at 2.30 P. M., and prayer was offered by Professor Eugene W. Lyman of Bangor.

On motion of President Elderdice of Westminster Theological Seminary, a Committee of Five was appointed to formulate the general sentiment and to express the net results of this conference and report the same to this body before presentation to the Federal Council Committee on Literature and Education; and that this Committee of Five further report as to the wisdom of future conferences of Theological Seminaries. The Chairman appointed the following Committee: Dr. Richards of Lancaster; Dr. Allison of Colgate; Dr.

Loetscher of Princeton; Dr. Rall of Iliff; and Dr. Lyman of Bangor.

The subject presented for discussion was "The Training of the Ministry for Social Service." It was discussed by Messrs. Hall of Union, Stewart of the General Western Theological, Wishart of the Allegheny Theological, Allison of Colgate, Gardner of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Lyman of Bangor, Landon of San Francisco, Macfarland of Yale, Taylor of the Bible College of the University of Missouri, Herman of the Reformed Church Seminary at Lancaster, McKibbin of Lane, Main of Alfred, Rall of Iliff, Richards of the Reformed Church Seminary at Lancaster, Mathews of the Divinity School of the University of Chicago, Sharpe of the Disciples Divinity House of Chicago, and Stewart of Auburn.

Dr. Hobson of McCormick led in prayer, after which a motion to adjourn prevailed.

Second Day—December 4.

The morning session opened at 10.00 A. M., by prayer offered by President Kershner of the Texas Christian University. Roll was called and additions were recorded. A motion prevailed to invite the following persons to sit as corresponding members and to participate in the discussions: Dr. F. C. Lumley, President of the College of Missions, Indianapolis; Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, Reading, Pennsylvania; Rev. J. Wilson Cochran, Secretary Board of Education of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., Philadelphia; and President James D. Moffat, Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pennsylvania.

The conference proceeded to discuss Topic IV—"The Standardization of the Seminary Curriculum." The subject was discussed by Messrs. Stewart of Auburn, Hall of Union, Underwood of Eureka College, Herman of Lancaster, Gamertsfelder of the Evangelical Seminary at Naperville, Main of Alfred, Lyman of Bangor, McKibbin of Lane, Allison of Colgate, Rauschenbusch of Rochester. Acting upon the suggestion of

President Rall, the conference proceeded to the discussion of Topic V—"The Informing Purpose of the Seminary," and President Rall opened the discussion, followed by Messrs. Tillett of the Biblical Department, Vanderbilt University, Landon of San Francisco Theological Seminary, Richards of Lancaster, Gardner of the Southern Baptist Seminary, Loetscher of Princeton, and Hall of Union.

Prayer and benediction by Dean Tillett of Vanderbilt.

Afternoon Session.

Conference convened at 2.30 P. M., with prayer by President Gamertsfelder of the Evangelical Seminary, Naperville, Ill. The conference entered upon the discussion of Topic VI—"The Function of the Seminary in the Training of Preachers." Chairman George B. Stewart of Auburn opened the discussion and was followed by Messrs. Peery of Western Theological Seminary, Atchison, Kansas, Wishart of the Allegheny Theological Seminary, Kelso of the Western Seminary, Pittsburgh, Moore of San Francisco, Landon of San Francisco, Moffat of Washington and Jefferson College, Gardner of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and Rauschenbusch of Rochester Theological Seminary.

The conference proceeded to consider the report of the Committee of Five which was read by Chairman Richards, amended, and adopted with a rising vote of thanks to the Committee for their efficient work.

A motion by Dr. Macfarland was amended and passed as follows: That this Conference appoint representatives to form a Joint Commission whose other representatives shall be selected from the Commission on the Church and Social Service of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, for the purpose of recommending courses of instruction in Theological Schools on social, industrial and allied subjects.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to Chairman Stewart for the ability and courtesy with which he presided over the deliberations of the conference. Prayer and benediction were offered by Dr. Gardner of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Wednesday Evening.

The Conference accepted the invitation of the Interdenominational Social Service Conference, held under the direction of the Federal Council Commission on the Church and Social Service, to a joint discussion, on Wednesday evening.

Adjourned.

HUGH LATIMER ELDERDICE, *Secretary.*

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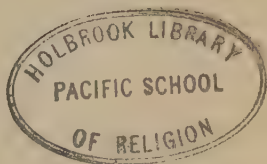
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The Conference was called to order by the Secretary of the Chicago Federation, Rev. J. H. Chandler. The Chairman was Rev. E. T. Root, and the Secretary Rev. Roy B. Guild.

The program reported by the Program Committee was adopted.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Rev. W. H. Matthews, President North Dakota Comity Commission.
Rev. Robert A. Ashworth, President Milwaukee Federation.
Rev. Andrew B. Wood, Secretary Federation of Baltimore.
Rev. Charles E. Rice, President Massachusetts Federation of Churches.
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J. W. Lake, Indiana Church Federation.
Rev. C. Galeneer, Illinois Federation.
Rev. E. Y. Smith, Chicago Federation.
Rev. John Boyd Johnston, Federation of Christian Churches.
Rev. F. P. Wigton, Executive Secretary Nebraska Federation.
J. F. Boeye, Lincoln, Nebraska.
C. B. Willis, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
Rev. A. W. Anthony, Secretary Interdenominational Commission of
Maine.
Joseph H. Chandler, Chicago Federation of Churches, also Illinois.
Rev. J. B. Davison, Wisconsin State Federation.
Rev. Walter Laidlaw, New York Federation.
Rev. Charles S. Macfarland, Secretary Federal Council.
Rev. H. A. Miner, Wisconsin Federation of Churches.
Rev. E. Tallmadge Root, Federations of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.
Rev. Roy B. Guild, President Topeka Federation.
Rev. C. E. Ames, Executive Secretary Church Federation of St. Louis.
Rev. Frederick T. Rouse, Nebraska State Federation.
R. H. Hartley, Quincy Federation.
Rev. J. H. Shields, Home Mission Council of Eastern Washington and
Western Idaho.
Rev. C. E. Burton, Cleveland Federation of Churches.
Rev. Howard B. Grose, Massachusetts Federation.
Samuel C. Carter, Editor "Church of the Living God."
Rev. Charles L. Zorbaugh, Superintendent of Church Extension, Presby-
tery of Cleveland.



Rev. R. A. Beard, North Dakota Commission.

Rev. Henry Collin Minton, Trenton, N. J.

Rev. R. T. Roberts, President Lucerne County Federation.

Rev. John C. Jones, Chicago, Ill.

Rev. James M. Phelps, Chicago Federation.

Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, Secretary Philadelphia Federation.

Many others, who failed to enroll, were present and participated in the Conferences.

The various phases of local federation were discussed during the two days of the Conference and reports were exchanged regarding the development of local work.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Conference:

“Resolved, That the official appointment of delegates by their denominational bodies is essential to a State inter-church federation, and that whatever other members may be admitted, this essential principle must be present.

“Resolved, That the principal function of a State federation is deliberative and advisory, the federation relying, when possible, upon denominational organizations or other existing agencies to execute, yet the federation affords a means of doing together many things which the churches cannot do, or cannot do so well separately.

“Resolved, That, recognizing the value to all church and denominational work of State and local federations, as expressions in concrete and practical form of the chief principle of the Federal Council, we respectfully request the Federal Council to provide, through the Executive Committee, a permanent, or standing committee to advise with State and local Federations, disseminate information respecting them, and arrange for future conferences of representatives of these federations, especially in connection with the quadrennial sessions of the Federal Council.

“Resolved, That the Committee on Recommendations to the Federal Council be authorized to recommend that the Executive Committee of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America publish a Bulletin containing reports of the achievements of local and State federations of churches in such detail as to make the representations vivid, and distribute the same to all local and State federations.

“Resolved, That we recommend to the Federal Council the adoption of a plan by which the funds of the national movement shall, so far as practicable, come from the national treasuries of the denominational bodies; that the field for individual subscriptions be free for State and local federation expenses.”

ROY B. GUILD,
Secretary.

Other Conferences

Various conferences were held previous to and during the quadrennial sessions in Chicago. The Commission on the Church and Social Service held a regular meeting and the Committee on Temperance a special meeting.

The editors and representatives of religious journalism held an evening conference.

The Commission on Denominational and Inter-Denominational Movements appointed by the Men and Religion Conservation Congress held an all-day session and various other group meetings were held.

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2. Those seated by the Council.

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The Constitution of the Federal Council

Plan of Federation Recommended by The Inter-Church Conference of 1905, Adopted by the National Assemblies of Constituent Bodies, 1906-1908, Ratified by the Council at Philadelphia, Dec. 2-8, 1908, and Amended at Chicago, December 4-9, 1912.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, In the providence of God, the time has come when it seems fitting more fully to manifest the essential oneness of the Christian Churches of America, in Jesus Christ as their Divine Lord and Saviour, and to promote the spirit of fellowship, service and co-operation among them, the delegates to the Inter-Church Conference on Federation, assembled in New York City, do hereby recommend the following Plan of Federation to the Christian bodies represented in this Conference for their approval:

Plan of Federation.

1. For the prosecution of work that can be better done in union than in separation a Council is hereby established whose name shall be the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

2. The following Christian bodies shall be entitled to representation in this Federal Council on their approval of the purpose and plan of the organization:

The Baptist Churches of the United States.

The General Conference of Free Baptists.

*The National Baptist Convention (African).

The Christians (The Christian Connection).

The Congregational Churches.

*The Congregational Methodist Churches.

The Disciples of Christ.

The Evangelical Association.

The Evangelical Synod of North America.

The Friends.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church, General Synod.

The Methodist Episcopal Church.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The Primitive Methodist Church.

*These bodies were received into the fellowship of the Council under provisions stated in section seven of the Constitution.

The Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in America.
 The Methodist Protestant Church.
 The African Methodist Episcopal Church.
 The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.
 The General Conference of the Mennonite Church of North America.
 The Moravian Church.
 The Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.
 *The Presbyterian Church in the U. S.
 The Welsh Calvinistic Methodist or Presbyterian Church.
 The Reformed Presbyterian Church.
 The United Presbyterian Church.
 The Protestant Episcopal Church.
 The Reformed Church in America.
 The Reformed Church of the U. S. A.
 The Reformed Episcopal Church.
 The Seventh Day Baptist Churches.
 *The Swedish Lutheran Augustana Synod.
 The United Brethren in Christ.
 The United Evangelical Church.

3. The object of this Federal Council shall be—

- I. To express the fellowship and catholic unity of the Christian Church. ✕
- II. To bring the Christian bodies of America into united service for Christ and the world.
- III. To encourage devotional fellowship and mutual counsel concerning the spiritual life and religious activities of the churches.
- IV. To secure a larger combined influence for the churches of Christ in all matters affecting the moral and social condition of the people, so as to promote the application of the law of Christ in every relation of human life.
- V. To assist in the organization of local branches of the Federal Council to promote its aims in their communities.

4. This Federal Council shall have no authority over the constituent bodies adhering to it; but its province shall be limited to the expression of its counsel and the recommending of a course of action in matters of common interest to the churches, local councils and individual Christians.

It has no authority to draw up a common creed or form of government or of worship, or in any way to limit the full autonomy of the Christian bodies adhering to it. ✕

5. Members of this Federal Council shall be appointed as follows:

Each of the Christian bodies adhering to this Federal Council shall be entitled to four members, and shall be further entitled to one member for every 50,000 of its communicants or major fraction thereof

6. Any action to be taken by this Federal Council shall be by the general vote of its members. But in case one-third of the members present and voting request it, the vote shall be by the bodies represented, the members of each body voting separately; and action shall require the vote, not only of a majority of the members voting, but also of the bodies represented.

7. Other Christian bodies may be admitted into membership of this Federal Council on their request if approved by a vote of two-thirds of the members voting at a session of this council, and of two-thirds of the bodies represented, the representatives of each body voting separately.

8. The Federal Council shall meet once in every four years and the term of service of the delegates or their alternates shall be four years or until their successors shall be appointed. Special meetings may be called by the Executive Committee.

9. (a) The officers of this Federal Council shall be a President, one Vice-President from each of its constituent bodies, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and an Executive Committee, who shall perform the duties usually assigned to such officers. Vacancies among the Vice-Presidents or in the Executive Committee may be filled by the Executive Committee on nomination by the representatives on the Executive Committee of the constituent body in which the vacancy may occur.

(b) The Secretary or Secretaries of the Council other than the Recording Secretary shall be chosen by the Executive Committee which shall have authority to fix their duties and their salaries, and they shall aid in organizing and assisting local Councils and shall represent the Federal Council in its work under the direction of the Executive Committee.

(c) The Executive Committee shall consist of two representatives: One minister and one layman from each of the constituent bodies and one additional representative who may be either a minister or layman for every five hundred thousand of its communicants or major fraction thereof, together with the President, all ex-Presidents, the Recording Secretary and the Treasurer. The Executive Committee shall have authority to attend to all business of the Federal Council in the intervals of its meetings and to fill all vacancies. It shall meet for organization at the call of the President of the Council immediately upon the adjournment of the Federal Council, and shall have power to elect its own officers.

(d) All officers shall be chosen at the quadrennial meetings of the Council and shall hold their offices until their successors take office.

(e) The President, the Recording Secretary, and the Treasurer shall be elected by the Federal Council on nomination by the Executive Committee.

(f) The Vice-Presidents, and members of the Executive Committee

and their alternates shall be elected by the Council upon nomination by the representatives in attendance of each of their respective constituent bodies.

10. This Plan of Federation may be altered or amended by a majority vote of the members, followed by a majority vote of the representatives of the several constituent bodies, each voting separately.

11. The expenses of the Federal Council shall be provided for by the several constituent bodies.

This Plan of Federation shall become operative when it shall have been approved by two-thirds of the above bodies to which it shall be presented.

It shall be the duty of each delegation to this Conference to present this Plan of Federation to its national body, and ask its consideration and proper action.

In case this Plan of Federation is approved by two-thirds of the proposed constituent bodies the Executive Committee of the National Federation of Churches and Christian Workers, which has called this Conference, is requested to call the Federal Council to meet at a fitting place in December, 1908.

By-Laws of the Council

Adopted Dec. 8, 1908, and Amended Dec. 4-9, 1912.

1. The Council shall meet quadrennially on the first Wednesday of December at 8 o'clock in the evening, and at such place as the Executive Committee shall from time to time determine. The place and time of special meetings shall be determined by the Executive Committee.

2. The President of the Council, or in case of his absence, the last President present shall open the meetings with an address and devotional exercises, and preside until a new President is chosen.

3. The Recording Secretary and the Secretary, or Secretaries, to whom this duty may be assigned by the Executive Committee, shall make up the roll of the representatives in the Council from the certificates of the proper officers of the Constituent Bodies composing the Council, and no one not thus certified shall be enrolled. The Council shall determine any question arising as to the validity of certificates.

4. No President or Vice-President shall be eligible to immediate reelection.

5. A quorum of the Council shall consist of two or more representatives from a majority of the churches entitled to representation. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall be fifteen persons, and at least five denominations shall be represented.

6. The Council shall appoint a Committee on Business, to which shall be referred all matters connected with the proceedings of the Council while in session, and all such papers and documents as to the Council

may seem proper. It shall consist of two members from each church having more than twenty representatives in the Council, and one from each of the churches having a less number of representatives. The Council may also appoint such other special committees as to it may seem proper.

7. The business expenses of the Council, the expenses of its committees subject to the discretion of the Executive Committee, and the salaries of its officers, shall be paid out of the funds contributed by the churches, but the expenses of the representatives of the churches in the Council shall not be a charge against the funds of the Council.

8. The following Commissions subject to the Executive Committee shall be appointed to serve until their successors are elected and shall report at least annually to the Executive Committee and as much oftener as the Executive Committee may require.

The President shall select the Chairmen of these Commissions which shall have power to choose such other officers as they may need for the conduct of their affairs.

A Commission on State and Local Federations, to consist of fifteen members appointed by the Executive Committee of the Council. This Commission shall advise with State and Local Federations, disseminate information respecting them, and arrange for future conferences of representatives of these Federations, especially in connection with the sessions of the Federal Council. It shall carry on its work subject to the Executive Committee.

The Commissions other than the Commission on State and Local Federations shall consist of at least twenty-five members, three-fifths of whom must be members of the Council appointed by the President of the Council and additional members on the basis of the representation in the Executive Committee to be appointed by the President of the Council on nomination by each of the organizations engaged in similar activities officially representative of the Christian bodies entitled to representation in the Federal Council. These Commissions may also recommend to the Executive Committee additional names of persons interested in the work of the Commissions to a number not to exceed ten and the Executive Committee shall have power to add such members to the Commissions. The authority making the appointment shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur.

These Commissions according to the Constitution of the Council cannot commit the Boards or Agencies of the churches to any policies or expenses unless these policies or expenses are approved by the respective Boards or Agencies.

These Commissions shall be as follows:

(a) A Commission on Foreign Missions, to which shall be referred all matters relating to the administration of missions in the foreign field,

(b) A Commission on Home Missions, to which shall be referred all matters relating to the administration of missions in the home field.

(c) A Commission on the Church and Religious Education, to which shall be referred all matters relating to moral and religious education.

(d) A Commission on The Church and Social Service, to co-operate with similar church organizations in the study of social conditions and to secure a more natural relationship between working men and the Church.

(e) A Commission on Family Life, to which shall be referred all matters relating to marriage and divorce and the development of family life.

(f) A Commission on Sunday Observance, to which shall be referred all matters relating to a better observance of the Lord's Day.

(g) A Commission on Temperance, to which shall be referred all matters relating to the suppression of the drink traffic.

(h) A Commission on Peace and Arbitration, to which shall be referred all matters relating to peace and international relations.

(i) A Commission on Evangelism, to which shall be referred all matters connected with the promotion of the spirit of evangelism and evangelistic work in this country.

9. The Secretaries chosen by the Executive Committee shall conduct the correspondence of the Council and of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall have full power to appoint, when necessary, such Secretaries as it may deem advisable and to designate their respective relations and duties.

10. The Recording Secretary shall keep the Minutes of the Council, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee may appoint such assistant secretaries as may be necessary for the transaction of business, both for the Council and for the Committee.

11. The Treasurer of the Council shall be the custodian of all the funds of the Council and the Committees, and shall perform the duties usually assigned to the office, shall give bond in such sum as the Executive Committee shall determine, and his account shall be annually audited under the direction of the Executive Committee.

12. The Executive Committee shall have authority to consider during the sessions of the Council or in the intervals between its meetings any business referred to it by the Council. It shall also prepare the docket of the Council, shall have charge of the preparations for the meetings of the Council, and shall exercise general supervision of all its affairs, and shall have authority to adopt its own rules for governing its own business. The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the Chairman, or in his absence or disability, the call of three of the members representing three of the constituent bodies, and ten days' notice of meeting shall be given. Public meetings under the direction of the

Executive Committee may be held annually in various sections of the country.

13. The Minutes of the Council shall be published regularly, under the editorship of the Secretary or Secretaries to whom this duty may be assigned by the Executive Committee.

14. These By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Council by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER.

Adopted at Chicago, December 4-9, 1912.

I. The President shall take the chair precisely at the hour at which the Council is appointed to meet, and shall immediately call the members to order, and on the appearance of a quorum shall open the session with prayer.

II. If a quorum be assembled at the time appointed, and the President be absent, a Vice-President shall take his place without delay, until a new election.

III. If a quorum be not assembled at the hour appointed, those present shall be competent to adjourn from time to time, that an opportunity may be given for a quorum to assemble.

IV. It shall be the duty of the President at all times to preserve order, and to endeavor to conduct all business before the Council to a speedy and proper result.

V. The President may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Council by any two members.

VI. The President shall appoint all Committees, except in those cases in which the Council shall decide otherwise.

VII. The person first named on any Committee shall be considered as the Chairman thereof, whose duty it shall be to convene the Committee; and in case of his absence or inability to act, the second named member shall take his place and perform his duties.

VIII. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to place promptly a complete roll of the members present in the hands of the President, and whenever any additional members take their seats, to add their names, in their proper places, to the said roll.

IX. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary immediately to file all papers, in the order in which they have been read, with proper endorsements, and to keep them in perfect order. The Corresponding Secretary shall receive all memorials and miscellaneous papers addressed to the Council; shall make record of the same, and deliver them to the Business Committee for appropriate disposition or reference.

X. The Minutes of the last meeting of the Council shall be presented at the commencement of its session, and, if requisite, read and corrected.

XI. Business left unfinished at the last sitting is ordinarily to be taken up first.

XII. A motion made must be seconded, and afterwards repeated by the President, or read aloud, before it is debated; and every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the President or any member require it.

XIII. Any member who shall have made a motion shall have liberty to withdraw it, with the consent of his second, before any debate has taken place thereon; but not afterwards, without the leave of the Council.

XIV. If a motion under debate contain several parts, any two members may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

XV. When various motions are made with respect to the filling of blanks, with particular numbers or times, the question shall always be first taken on the highest number and the longest time.

XVI. Motions to lay on the table, to take up business, to adjourn, and the call for the previous question shall be put without debate. On questions of order, postponement or commitment, no member shall speak more than once. On all other questions each member may speak twice, but not oftener, without express leave of the Council.

XVII. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, unless to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to commit or to amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are herein arranged; and the motion for adjournment shall always be in order.

XVIII. An amendment, and also an amendment to an amendment, may be moved on any motion; but a motion to amend an amendment to an amendment shall not be in order. Action on amendments shall precede action on the original motion. A substitute shall be treated as an amendment. An amendment may be laid on the table without affecting another amendment or the original motion.

XIX. A motion to lay on the table shall be taken without debate; and, if carried in the affirmative, the effect shall be to place the subject on the docket, and it may be taken up and considered at any subsequent time.

XX. The previous question shall be put in this form, namely, Shall the main question be now put? It shall only be admitted when demanded by a majority of the members present; and the effect shall be to put an end to all debate and bring the body to a direct vote: First, on a motion to commit the subject under consideration (if such motion shall have been made); secondly, if the motion for commitment does not prevail, on pending amendments; and lastly, on the main question.

XXI. A question shall not be again called up or reconsidered at the same sessions of the Council at which it has been decided, unless by the consent of two-thirds of the members who were present at the decision; and unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by persons who voted with the majority.

XXII. A subject which has been indefinitely postponed, either by

the operation of the previous question or by a motion for indefinite postponement, shall not be again called up during the same sessions of the Council, unless by the consent of three-fourths of the members who were present at the decision.

XXIII. Members ought not, without weighty reasons, to decline voting, as this practice might leave the decision of very interesting questions to a small proportion of the Council. Silent members, unless excused from voting, must be considered as acquiescing with the majority.

XXIV. When the President has commenced taking the vote, no further debate or remark shall be admitted, unless there has evidently been a mistake, in which case the mistake shall be rectified, and the President shall recommence taking the vote.

XXV. The yeas and nays on any question shall not be recorded, unless required by one-third of the members present. If division is called for on any vote, it shall be by a rising vote without a count. If on such a rising vote the President is unable to decide, or a quorum rise to second a call for "tellers," then the vote shall be taken by rising, and the count made by tellers, who shall pass through the aisles and report to the President the number voting on each side.

XXVI. If more than one member rise to speak at the same time, the member who is most distant from the President's chair shall speak first. In the discussion of all matters where the sentiment of the house is divided, it is proper that the floor should be occupied alternately by those representing the different sides of the question.

XXVII. No speaker shall be interrupted, unless he be out of order, or for the purpose of correcting mistakes or misrepresentations.

XXVIII. If any member consider himself aggrieved by a decision of the President, it shall be his privilege to appeal to the Council, and the question on the appeal shall be taken without debate.

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